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Broken promise on arms trial angers Britain

By DAVID ADAMSON Diplomatic Correspondent

BRITAIN'S anger over South Africa's decision to renege on an undertaking to return four of its nationals to face arms smuggling charges in Coventry next month was made plain to the country's Ambassador, Dr Denis Worrall, in a terse, 20-minute interview at the Foreign Office yesterday.

Tit for tat over sit-in attacked

By A. J. McILROY
in Johannesburg

SOUTH AFRICA'S "tit-for-tat" decision to break a pledge to send four of its nationals back to a British court to answer arms smuggling charges provoked widespread condemnation across the country yesterday.

Critics of the decision questioned the wisdom of creating a crisis of diplomatic relations with Britain in order to register anger over the British Government's refusal to order six South African anti-apartheid leaders to end their "sit-in" at the British consulate in Durban.

The Government's own Right wing predictably welcomed the show of South African anger.

But reservations and protests were registered by Opposition parties, other political organisations and the legal profession, which were warning that the decision not to honour the bail arrangement with the Coventry court could have serious long-term disadvantages.

Force ruled out

"In international legal terms the decision appears to be very short-sighted since it could undermine the spirit of co-operation which allows acceptance of exchanges of prisoners between the two countries although there is no extradition order," Prof. John Dugard, a legal authority, said in Johannesburg. Government officials said nothing had changed since the announcement on Monday night by Mr P. W. Botha, Foreign Minister, that South African security forces would be ordered into the Durban Consulate to arrest the six fugitives.

They pointed to the texts Continued on Back P. Col 3

DEARER HOME LOANS HIT HOUSE PRICES

By Our City Staff

House prices have barely moved in the past three months and have fallen in some parts of the country, according to the Nationwide Building Society. Increased mortgage rates are blamed.

The annual rate of property inflation has fallen from 15 to 12 per cent, of general inflation or wage increases. According to the society, the country's third largest, the average house price paid in Britain remained at £31,460.

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The Ambassador was called in following the South African announcement on Monday that it would not send back for trial in Britain four men who were granted bail in May, accused of exporting military equipment to Pretoria in violation of a United Nations embargo.

President Botha's decision was a reprisal for the refusal by Britain to order the removal of six Indian opposition leaders from the British Consulate in Durban, where they began a sit-in 13 days ago.

The six, who organised and led opposition to the election campaign for the Indian chamber of South Africa's new Parliament, face immediate detention if they leave the consulate.

It is a measure of the crisis in relations between the two countries which has arisen over the sit-in that it was Dr Worrall's fourth visit to the Foreign Office in six days.

He was seen by Lady Young, the senior Foreign Office Minister, who told him that Britain does not accept South Africa's linkage between the consulate sit-in and the refusal to return the four men.

Ministers and officials believe privately that the South African Government has merely snatched at an excuse for not returning four Government employees to face trial.

£200,000 bail to be forfeited

Bail of £200,000, put up by a South African Embassy official, Mr Andre Pelsier, who guaranteed the men's appearance for trial if they were allowed to go home to South Africa, will be forfeited if they do not return.

They are due to appear in court on Oct. 22.

Mr P. W. Botha, the South African Foreign Minister, left no doubt yesterday that the men would not be returned, even if the consulate sit-in ended tomorrow.

"The window is broken," he said in a reference to his visit which had been taken. "If someone picks up a stone and breaks your window, you pick up a stone and break his window."

Britain accused of Vienna breach

But if the South Africans can be accused of dishonouring a pledge, they can equally accuse—as Mr Botha has done—Britain of being in breach of the Vienna consular convention.

The six fugitives in the consulate have been allowed to use the telephone to consult their lawyers. It is believed they have also been permitted to send telex messages.

No attempt has been made to elect them. The British view, repeated by Lady Young yesterday, is that the South African Government should negotiate with them on the terms on which they could leave.

"The situation at the Durban consulate is not of the British Government's choosing, but in the present circumstances the Government's position remains that the six will not be required to leave against their will."

The Vienna Convention states in Article 53 that "the consular premises shall not be used in any manner incompatible with the exercise of consular functions."

The same article stipulates that consular officials have a duty not to interfere in the internal affairs of the host state.

Foreign Office officials were unable to give any guidance yesterday on how the article was interpreted in London.

A statement issued following Mr Botha's disclosure of the contents of an aide memoire delivered to the Foreign Office on Thursday merely said: "The six should not be required to leave the consulate premises."

leave the consulate premises against their will and it would not be right for Her Majesty's Government to act as an intermediary between the six



Dr Denis Worrall, South African Ambassador, leaving the Foreign Office yesterday after his meeting with Baroness Young.

PICTURE: SRDIA DUKRANOVIC

New TUC moves to end pit deadlock

By JOHN RICHARDS Industrial Correspondent

A C.A.S., the independent conciliation service, is expected to invite the National Union of Mineworkers and the Coal Board within the next few days to explore the possibilities of resumed negotiations on the 29-week coal strike.

The likelihood of such a peace move gained new impetus last night as four TUC representatives held talks with Mr Scargill, NUM President, and his fellow negotiators at the end of a day of meetings at Congress House in London.

A senior TUC leader said: "There is no doubt the miners will go in for more talks at A.C.A.S. There is still a big gap between the two sides but we hope a deal can be found to bridge the gap."

The TUC has been heartened by its talks with Mr MacGregor, Coal Board chairman, at which they urged the management to put its case before A.C.A.S. Subsequent contacts with the NUM have suggested that the union would be prepared to agree to a joint approach.

'Support' call

The timing of an ACAS move remained uncertain last night, but invitations could be issued before next week's Labour party conference in Blackpool, and talks could be under way by the weekend.

ACAS will be asked to function on a joint advisory and conciliation basis, but not to get involved directly in the issues between the two parties.

Both the TUC and the NUM are insisting the dispute must be solved in direct negotiation with the Coal Board.

Earlier yesterday Mr Scargill had held "very positive" talks at the House of Commons with Mr Kinnoch, Labour leader, and continued on Back P. Col 6

KINNOCK AND SCARGILL IN TALKS

By Our Political Correspondent

MR KINNOCK, the Labour party leader, had talks with Mr Arthur Scargill yesterday at the start of attempts to curb trouble over the miners' strike at the party's conference in Blackpool next week.

The meeting, which took place in Mr Kinnoch's room at Westminister, was said to have ended in agreement that the conference should concentrate on the "plan for coal" and on criticising the Government's policies.

Mr Kinnoch also pledged that the party's National Executive would declare its full support for the miners. Shadow Cabinet colleagues believed Mr Kinnoch had secured an informal agreement from Mr Scargill.

INTRUDER KILLS

WIDOW OF 96

A 96-year-old great grandmother was found beaten to death yesterday after an intruder broke into the house in Litherthorpe, Preston, where she had lived for 50 years.

Widowed Mrs Elizabeth Harwood was found by her 72-year-old son, called by neighbours who spotted a broken window.

STRIKERS HIT TRADE FIGURES

By FRANCES WILLIAMS
Economics Correspondent

BRITAIN'S balance of trade in goods with the rest of the world sank further into deficit last month as industrial troubles in the docks and the coal mines took their toll.

The deficit widened to £568 million in August from £137 million in July, with record exports of £5.95 billion easily outweighed by record imports of £6.52 billion.

The current account of the balance of payments, though boosted by an estimated surplus of £250 million on trade in services such as banking, shipping and tourism, swung £318 million into the red after a surplus of £113 million in July.

Strikes were mostly to blame. Higher oil imports, some of it destined for the power stations to replace coal shortages, accounted for the bulk of the £450 million deterioration last month.

The pound held up well against European currencies despite the poor-trade figures, which were worse than many people in the City had expected. But it suffered from a sharp jump in the dollar in the absence of further heavy intervention by the German Central Bank seen at the end of last week and on Monday.

The dollar surged by almost five pence to 5-0720 against the German mark, pushing the pound down 1½ pence to 51-2335 in London. Reflecting this, the sterling index, which measures the pound's value against a basket of leading currencies, slipped 0.2 to 76.5.

But the City took all this in its stride. Money market interest rates remained steady while the FT 30 index rose 6.6 to 870.0.

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£4m VAN ORDER

A £4.3 million order for 1,100 Ford Escort vans was placed by the Post Office yesterday. They will be made at Halewood, Liverpool, but 100 will have diesel engines from Dagenham, Essex.

Today's Weather

GENERAL SITUATION: Weak ridge over Britain.

LONDON, MIDLANDS, S.E. ENGLAND, N.W. ENGLAND, CHANNEL IS.

WIND: W. to N.W., backing light 61F (16C).

S.W. ENGLAND, S. WALES, N. IRELAND: Sunny intervals. Rain spreading from W. in evening.

WIND: W. to light backing 55, moderate to fresh 61F (16C).

S. NORTH SEA, SPRAY or DOVEY: Wind W. to N.W., force 4 or 5.

Sea moderate becoming slight.

ENG. CH. (E), ST GEORGE'S CH.: Variable becoming S. 13 or 4.

Smooth becoming slight.

IRISH SEA: Variable becoming S.E. or 4. Smooth becoming slight.

OUTLOOK: Changeable.

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Newcastle 65(65) 70(65) 60(75)

Yesterday's figures in brackets

Pay threat to jobs stressed by Lawson

By ANDREAS WHITTAM SMITH City Editor
in Washington

THE Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Lawson, sounded an unusually pessimistic note about unemployment trends in the United Kingdom when he addressed the annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund in Washington yesterday.

"I see little prospect of reversing the trend of unemployment," he said, "unless we can decisively moderate the growth of real wages."

While Mr Lawson noted that 250,000 new jobs had been created in the year to last March, he added: "We ought to be doing better than this."

The Chancellor said the heart of the problem, in striking contrast with the United States, has been the "steady growth of real wages."

Speaking to reporters earlier, Mr Lawson argued that a statistical link between changes in wage rates adjusted for inflation and unemployment had been established. The Treasury would be producing an analysis of the relationship.

Growth curbed

The Chancellor also used his IMF speech to revise his previous forecasts for growth in Britain both this year and next. He said that the miners' strike would mean growth of 2 per cent in 1984 rather than 3 per cent. But he would expect recorded growth in 1985 to be higher.

This formulation is less optimistic than it appears because the Chancellor assumed that lost mining output would be regained next year. Again when talking to reporters, he admitted that the so-called leading economic indicators published by the Central Statistical Office could be right when they indicate a turn-down in the economy in 1985.

However Mr Lawson told IMF delegates that while none of us can claim actually to have abolished the business cycle, there were key differences between the present recovery and its predecessors.

There had been no significant stockpiling and inflation remained subdued, indeed the Chancellor went on to say that the British inflation trend "is still downward."

Earlier President Reagan called on members of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank to join us in a new round of negotiations to lower trade barriers around the world.

The Administration's economic policies would "allow us to keep America's deficit on its current downward path." Mr Reagan also said he believed the recent easing of interest rates could be expected to continue.

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Telecom threat

But though that competition has gone, the societies are now fearful of the success the Government intends to have in encouraging the public to buy shares in British Telecom when it is floated in November.

Investors will have to put up only part of the subscription price immediately, but the societies estimate that it could reduce their cashflow by £400 million.

For that reason, even though societies will refrain from raising mortgage rates again, they will not cut them until the effects of the Telecom float are seen, and that will prevent a mortgage cut being implemented before the New Year.

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BALLOT-CALL MINER 'BUTTED AT MEETING'

A MINER told Mr Justice NICHOLLS in the High Court yesterday that he was head-butted as he left a NUM branch meeting where he had called for a vote on whether the strike should continue.

Mr Bob Taylor, 35, a father of two, said in written evidence that he had been shouted down with obscenities and threats from a small group at Manton Colliery, Nottinghamshire, last May.

He and fellow miner Ken Foulstone, 45, are asking the judge to order a national ballot of the country's 150,000 miners on the strike.

They also seek injunctions preventing picket lines having official status under union rules. Neither the national NUM nor the Yorkshire area union, which covers Manton, were represented in court.

Although reluctant to start proceedings, Mr Taylor said that he and other members considered they had been denied fair treatment.

Mr Michael Burton, QC, who appeared for the two men, told the judge that NUM leaders had "totally rejected democracy" in the union.

Police protection

In embarking on the strike, the NUM, both nationally and locally, had been "in breach of almost every one of its fundamental obligations to its members."

The homes of Mr Taylor and Mr Foulstone had been under round-the-clock police protection since they began their action challenging the legality of the strike.

The two men were not working because they refuse to cross picket lines.

Mr Burton said there had been no national ballot or ballot in Yorkshire to sanction a strike.

In-out at Scargill pit

By JAMES O'BRIEN

A SURFACE worker went through 200 pickets yesterday at Woolley Colliery, near Barnsley, where Mr Scargill started his career as a salvage worker.

But after less than two hours, Mr Anthony Heller, who lives in Barnsley, spoke to an NUM official and returned home.

He was told he was leaving himself open to threats from angry strikers if he did not join the stoppage.

Four pits were working yesterday and nine were producing some coal, one more than on Monday, the NCB said.

Twenty pits, two more than at the beginning of the week.

had men at work, but not enough to go into production. More miners were again at work in North Derbyshire and Scotland than at any time since the start of the 29 week dispute.

A total of 960 men were at work in North Derbyshire, 25 more than the previous highest figure last Thursday, and 58 more than a week ago.

A total of 44 miners were working in Yorkshire pits.

In Scotland 295 miners were at work of which 178 were at Bilsdon Glen near Edinburgh, two up on Monday's figure.

Barnby Colliery, Yorkshire is the only one of Scotland's 11 pits without men at work.

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'MURDER RISK' IN M4 RAIDS

By COLIN RANDALL

AFTER a concrete block was dropped from a motorway bridge on to a lorry taking coal to Llanwern steelworks yesterday, a police chief warned miners that they risk being charged with murder for such attacks.

The 6lb slab missed Mr Clive Hambury, 38, the driver, by a few inches as it smashed through the fibreglass roof of his lorry, shattering the windscreen, on the M4 near Bridgend.

In all, 10 vehicles in the convoy of 140 lorries travelling the 50 miles from Port Talbot were damaged by missiles as they passed under a series of 55 motorway bridges manned by 300 striking miners, in what police called a well-organised attempt to stretch their resources.

The incidents were the first attempt for two months by miners in South Wales to disrupt the convoys. One lorry was just missed by a falling 4ft pit prop.

Risking horror

Mr Viv Brook, assistant chief constable of South Wales, claimed trouble was caused by a small minority of miners, among them men known to have convictions for violence.

"If someone is killed as a result of this, they could be arrested for murder. I appeal to these miners—if they are miners—to think of the consequences to innocent people using the motorway."

"Let us not beat about the bush. This was malicious and irresponsible and could easily have caused a horrifying motorway accident."

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By R. BARRY O'BRIEN

THE Bishop of Durham's declaration that the miners must not be defeated has dismayed miners defying the strike who believe their future depends on a resounding defeat for Mr Scargill.

Their fears were voiced yesterday by Mr David Ardron, treasurer of the Christian Mineworkers Fellowship, who accused Mr Scargill of using the miners in an attempt to bring down the Government.

"We feel that if Scargill wins, miners who are working will be in a terrible position," Mr Ardron, a working miner in Nottinghamshire, said.

The National Coal Board has got to stand by the miners who are working."

Mr Ardron, 35, a timekeeper at Warsop Colliery, Mansfield, who is going daily to work through picket lines, said the bishop's enthronement sermon on Friday had pleased Mr Scargill and others who agreed with him.

"But I don't think it is very helpful as far as those of us who are working are concerned," he said.

Victimisation fear

"If the miners come back on Arthur Scargill's terms, those of us who are working will have been let down by the Coal Board. We are going to be black-listed and victimised."

Mr Ardron said he could not see how the mining dispute could be settled by a compromise as called for by the bishop.

"Pits that are uneconomic must either close or not close: there is no half-way point," he said.

Mr Ardron, a member of the Colliery Officials and Staffs Association, said Coas members working at his colliery, where 100 miners are on strike, had been told by the local NUM secretary they would not have their jobs when the strike was over.

"This is why we are saying the miners must not come back on Scargill's terms," he said.

Mr Ardron, married, with three children, founded the Christian Mineworkers Fellowship in 1980 to bring together Christian miners and promote Christian witness in the coal field. The inter-denominational body has Anglicans, Baptists, Pentecostals, Methodists and Brethren among its members.

The continuing row over the Bishop's sermon, which has been sharply criticised by Ministers and Conservative MPs, has raised the question how far it was approved in advance by Church leaders.

Hundreds of copies of the sermon were produced and handed out to clergy and congregation as they left Durham Cathedral after the enthronement service.

An advance copy was sent to the Archbishop of York, Dr Habyond, who praised the sermon on Monday as "a profound and important exploration of the meaning of Christian hope" and defended the bishop's references to the miners' strike.

But Mr David Blunt, the Archbishop's Press secretary, said it was "just a courtesy copy" and was not committed to editing or comment. A bishop would not normally refer to a sermon to the archbishop, especially not an endorsement sermon, which was regarded as a matter for the bishop and his diocese, he said.

Key questions

The Bishop of Winchester, Dr John Taylor, said yesterday that the key questions in the miners' strike were how many pits were really under threat and what compromises the Coal Board was ready to negotiate.

"These are the questions that wait to be asked and answered. But it is easier to stage a confrontation of strong men and thereby postpone, once more, the task of tackling the new reality of unemployment," he said.

Writing in the Westminster Correspondent, the monthly journal for his diocese, he said: "The nub of the matter is pit closures and the spectre of derelict communities."

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'Picket line' police horses reprieved after legal threat

By T. A. SANDROCK Crime Correspondent

LEFT-WING South Yorkshire councillors backed down yesterday over their plan to disband the county's mounted police section after talks with Mr Brittan, Home Secretary, and the threat of legal action.

The force's 18 horses and half of its 34 police dogs were to have been sold off as an economy measure.

But Mr Brittan told council representatives that the Home Office was prepared, if necessary, to seek a court ruling that the authority's action would be illegal.

He said he had been advised that if the South Yorkshire Police Authority ordered the cuts it might be in breach of its legal obligation under the Police Act, 1964, to maintain an adequate and efficient force.

The force's regional crime squad and technical support squads, which had been threatened by the cuts, will also now be reprieved.

£2.8m economies

When the planned cuts were announced, the authority was accused of making a "political decision" because they had decided to police horses being used to break up and control violent disturbances on miners' picket lines.

Mr George Moore, chairman of the South Yorkshire Police Authority, said after his talks with Mr Brittan: "The decision about the police horses, dogs and other cuts in police services will now be held in abeyance, pending the outcome of this meeting."

But he said that he was "very encouraged by what was said" at the meeting and that the Home Secretary "taken on board" all the points he raised.

He had explained that the local authority had to make economies to find an extra £2,800,000 and that Mr Brittan had offered to consider the authority's request for Government aid in meeting policing costs to be extended to cover September and October.

Up to Aug. 31 the Government paid all the policing costs above the product of a one-penny rate.

The Government assesses the sum which would have to be found for policing the miners' dispute, which has created all the extra costs, as half of what the council "says it needs."

Moore, 61, a former miner and NUM branch official, said he was satisfied that the Home Secretary had listened carefully to all their points and accepted his view that the matter of additional funds would be reviewed.

No further meeting had been fixed with the Home Secretary, and the outcome of the discussions would be reported to a full County Council meeting today.

A Home Office official confirmed later that the Home Secretary would be reviewing the situation but added that no promises were given.

Unemployment 'fuels strike' says Gilmour

By JAMES WIGHTMAN Political Correspondent

MR SCARGILL would not have been able to maintain the miners' strike for so long if the Government's political posture over the years had been more successful, Sir Ian Gilmour, the former Conservative Cabinet Minister, said yesterday.

"Far too often, this government has given the impression that it does not sufficiently care about the unemployed, and about the plight of the poorer regions of the country," added Sir Ian, a persistent critic of the Government's economic policies since he was dismissed as Deputy Foreign Secretary in 1982.

He said: "What has chiefly gone wrong is unemployment. It is fear of unemployment which fuels the miners' strike, though ironically the Government's record on unemployment in the coal industry is exceedingly good, and it has been many times promised that there will be no compulsory redundancies."

"Yet, while an overwhelming majority of the British people disapprove of Mr Scargill and an overwhelming majority believe that there should be a ballot, a very sizeable minority supports the NUM against the Coal Board."

"Since these striking miners have scarcely a vestige of a case, that can only be because of fear of unemployment and a belief that something should be done about it."

Sir Ian, who is MP for Chesham and Amersham, was addressing the London Tory Reform Group.

Though Mrs Thatcher has long since stopped being upset by such speeches from Sir Ian and other Tory "wets" no longer in her Cabinet, his criticism last night was more stinging because it added to the attacks on the Government by the Bishop of Durham and other churchmen.

He did not mention Mrs Thatcher by name but he refuted one of her favourite themes when he stated: "For many years now the Government has been 'training' that its policies were the only ones that could and would create 'real' jobs. And what has been the result? Real membership of the Government has been reduced to a mere shadow."

Sir Ian also said that the miners' strike was taking place on an almost wholly bogus issue and that "Mr Scargill and his friends must not be allowed to win their political strike."

BREWERY JOBS GO

Ninety workers are to be made redundant at Devensish Breweries Weymouth base, to cut production costs arising, the company says, from surplus capacity. Thirty extra jobs will be created elsewhere.

SPEND A QUIET NIGHT IN WITH LILLIAN GISH.



This Autumn, Channel 4 is showing a short season of silent film classics. Tonight at 9.00 see Lillian Gish in 'The Wind', the film that made her famous, and in two weeks time she appears in 'Broken Blossoms', a striking melodrama directed in 1919 by D.W. Griffiths.

Meanwhile on October 3rd, there's 'Show People', King Vidor's malicious 1928 satire on Hollywood, and on October 17th, 'A Woman of Affairs', a 1928 Garbo film never seen on television before. All have new scores composed or conducted by Carl Davis.

DIRECTOR'S ROAD DEATH ACCIDENT

A verdict of accidental death was recorded yesterday at St Pancras on Alan Schneider, 66, the American theatre director, who died from head injuries four days after being knocked down by a motorcyclist at Swiss Cottage on April 30.

The Russian-born director arrived from his home in New York the week previously to direct Hampstead Theatre's world premiere of 'The War at Home' by James Duff. He won the Tony Award for his 1972 production of Edward Albee's 'Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?'

25p THEFT CASE ANNOYS JUDGE

Judge Anthony Goodall complained yesterday that the case of a man who stole a 25p glass of orange juice in a bar was too trivial to have been brought to Exeter Crown Court.

David Davies, 26, of Vernon Road, Bristol, was given a conditional discharge for six months after the judge watched a video taken by a security camera — of him stealing the drink.

POLICE MOVE TO HOLIDAY CAMP

Five hundred policemen on back-up duty in the coalfields have moved into the Beacholme Holiday Camp, Cleethorpes, a favourite spot for mining families.

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DOCTORS 'LET 60,000 UNDER-16s HAVE SEX'

By DAVID FLETCHER Health Services Correspondent

SIXTY THOUSAND children who are legally too young to have sex are using contraceptives supplied by clinics and doctors, it was claimed yesterday by the Responsible Society.

Mrs Valerie Riches, author of a new booklet on parents' right to know if daughters under 16 are being prescribed contraceptives, said the number of children going to NHS clinics doubled to more than 16,000 between 1976 and 1983.

In addition, the Brook Clinics see 15,000 youngsters a year.

"Add to this a conservative estimate of one child per GP a year, and a total of over 60,000 under-16s are in receipt of contraceptives," Mrs Riches argued.

"So much for the 'exceptional cases' and the 'small problem' to which the child is justly allude."

IA spokeswoman for the Brook Clinics said the report "shows a total disregard for the truth." In fact the clinics saw about 2,000.

Abortions double

Mrs Riches said abortions for under-16s have more than doubled since 1969, the first year of legal abortion. They are now running at four in every 1,000 under-16s a year.

Cancer of the cervix, linked to early sexual intercourse, had grown to epidemic proportions. Child prostitution, which had been almost unknown for the past half-century, had begun to reappear. Sexually transmitted diseases in the under 25s have also become commonplace.

"The more recruits committed to battle, the higher the casualty rate, especially when the recruits are so immature," Mrs Riches added.

GPs' backlash

Although 16 remains the legal age of consent, the easy availability of contraception for under 16s and the failure to report illegal sexual activity to the police had effectively achieved the paedophiles' campaign for lowering the age, she said.

Dr Gordon Grettton-Watson, vice-chairman of the Responsible Society and former Medical Officer for Cheshire, claimed

that a backlash is developing among family doctors against the General Medical Council's ruling over secrecy and contraception for the young.

Three petitions were circulating among doctors and up to 1,000 had so far signed.

They would be presented to the GMC, asking it to alter its guidelines about doctors respecting a girl's secret if she asks that her parents should not be told that she is going on the Pill or having an abortion.

Dr Grettton-Watson said it was quite wrong that a doctor should be put in a position where he was not allowed to tell parents that a schoolgirl daughter was having an illegal relationship with an older man. The idea that a doctor had a duty of confidentiality to the child, rather than to the parent, was an invention of the last few years.

Judge's rights

"Until five or 10 years ago I never heard it suggested that confidentiality applied directly between doctor and child. If you extend it you get the ludicrous situation where a child of 4 or 5 talks to the doctor, who cannot discuss it with the parents."

In the booklet Mrs Riches writes that the GMC and the British Medical Association support the Department of Health policy that parents should not be contacted without the child's permission. But any doctor providing contraception or abortion to a child who was a ward of court without first consulting the judge would be in contempt of court.

"How strange that a judge acting in loco parentis has more rights than natural parents," Mrs Riches says.

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Negligence blamed for school railings death

COUNCIL officers who ignored pleas to remove spiked railings from a school playground until a 10-year-old girl died were guilty of very serious negligence, Mr MICHAEL MANSFIELD, a barrister, told a public inquiry yesterday.

HUSBAND 'LET WIFE STARVE'

A HUSBAND allowed his sick wife to starve to death after she begged him not to leave her or call a doctor, an inquest in Penzance heard yesterday.

Mr RONALD BUTLER, the coroner, adjourning the inquest, said the Director of Public Prosecutions would now decide whether Mr RONALD BADCOCK, 65, should face criminal charges.

Medical evidence showed Mrs MONICA BADCOCK, 59, of Steeple Lane, St Ives, died of severe dehydration after going without food and having very little to drink for a month. Mr Butler said: "In other words, she starved to death."

Mr Badcock, a retired gardener, said in a written statement that his wife had begged him not to leave her or call a doctor. She had seen a doctor some four weeks earlier who prescribed tablets for her nerves.

Drink 'like poison'

"My wife would always accept the advice of a doctor," said Mr Badcock. "But she had problems with her nerves. She said she didn't want to live. This worried me a lot. She said food was like poison, as was drink."

His wife had lost a lot of weight and was in great pain the day before she died. "I asked again if she wanted a doctor but she said: 'No Ron, don't leave me. I think the Lord will take me.'"

Mr Butler said he was referring the case to the DPP because he found it impossible to understand why Mr Badcock did not summon help. He said he could rule out the possibility that a crime had been committed.

MURDER CHARGE

Mark Edmonds, 25, of Woulton Road, Cannock, was remanded in custody for a week by Lincoln magistrates yesterday accused of murdering Miss Cicely Browne, 25, a part-time stripper, and her daughter, Khadija, five, who were found dead at their home in Lincoln, at the weekend.

BOMB DEFUSED

By Our Staff Correspondent in Bonn
About 250 people on a new housing estate in Stuttgart, West Germany, were evacuated yesterday while a British 10 cwt bomb from the 1939-45 war, uncovered during building work, was defused.



Roderick Jackson, 24, son of the actor Gordon Jackson, in London yesterday when he was conditionally discharged for two years after convincing a Highbury magistrate that he had "kicked" his drug addiction. He had admitted possessing heroin and LSD worth £46, and sentence had been deferred to give him a chance to keep off drugs.

Tornado plans 'could have gone to Russia'

By MICHAEL FARR in Bonn

MANFRED ROTSCH, the West German aerospace engineer arrested on suspicion of spying for the Soviet Union, could have passed on the complete programme of Nato's newest combat aircraft, the multi-purpose Tornado, officials said yesterday.

Rotsch was head of the aviation construction and development department at Messerschmitt - Boelkow - Blohm (MBB), West Germany's leading aerospace concern.

He would have had access to the whole range of its space and aircraft programmes, according to a spokesman for the Chief Public Prosecutor's office in Karlsruhe.

Rotsch was employed by MBB throughout the 1970s when it was working on the German side of the development of the Anglo-West German-Italian Tornado project, in which he was involved.

A married man with three daughters, he emigrated from East Germany in 1954. He worked for the Junkers aircraft manufacturing company before joining MBB.

According to the Chief Public Prosecutor, Rotsch began working for the KGB in 1967 and passed on detailed plans and information on various space and aircraft projects.

Aircraft 'holds few secrets'

By Our Air Correspondent
AFTER 15 years of development, the Tornado holds few secrets of use to the Warsaw Pact, a Defence Ministry spokesman said yesterday.

"The more they learn about Tornado's performance, the more they are likely to respect it," he added.

The strike version now in service with 11 squadrons in Britain, Germany and Italy is earning esteem in Nato as one of the world's best all-weather bombers.

Russia has had in service since 1974 a similar all-weather fighter bomber, the Sukhoi Su-24.

RAF crews will be skilled in the use of defensive equipment, details of which will not have been available to a German informer. The ability of the RAF strike squadrons to get through to their targets is unlikely to be affected by the type of industrial espionage believed to have been at work since 1967.

Not is the air defence version, the Tornado F2, likely to be compromised by the leakage of information. Both versions are fully described in Jane's "All The World's Aircraft," and in the case of the F2 the air defence equipment is made in Britain and not in Germany.

10 YEARS FOR SMUGGLER IN DE LOREAN CASE

By Our New York Staff

William Morgan Hetrick, 53, an admitted drug smuggler charged with the acquitted Mr John de Lorean in the celebrated case of alleged cocaine conspiracy, has been sentenced in Los Angeles to 10 years in Federal prison despite a prosecution statement that he "co-operated handsomely" with the American Government.

Federal Judge Robert Tagawa, who presided over Mr De Lorean's trial, imposed a series of concurrent sentences on charges that included conspiracy to possess and distribute cocaine, possession of the drug, and income tax evasion.

The judge also ordered Hetrick to serve five years of special parole to be added to normal parole after he is released from prison. He was described by his lawyer as a broken man and by the prosecution as "a man who may border on genius."

Widow accuses 'callous police' in Costa stab-murder

By GEORGE TURNBULL

THE widow of British holidaymaker David Mathieson, who was stabbed to death on the Costa Brava, yesterday bitterly accused Spanish police and hospital staff of callousness.

Had they reacted faster he might still be alive, she claimed.

And Mrs Sheila Mathieson believes sex, not mugging, was the motive for the attack.

She is convinced the three assailants — possibly Moroccans high on drugs — were trying to drag her into their car, which smelled of hashish.

"They would have taken me in the car, that's my opinion. I offered them my bag and everything in it, and they didn't want it."

Mrs Mathieson, 40, was speaking in her home town of Loughbeg, Fife, sitting with her were daughter, Angela, 15, and son Andrew, 13.

Guns came out

The family had been walking to their hotel at Lloret de Mar early on Saturday with five Scottish friends, when a car containing the three men stopped.

"I just kept walking, but then I saw them roll down the car window, get guns out and start shooting," said Mrs Mathieson.

Her husband told her to duck into a ditch, but the car reversed towards her and two of the men tried to grab her bag and her watch.

"I said: 'You want my bag, take it,' but they kept pulling at me," said Mrs Mathieson.

"Dave came to my rescue and was knifed in the stomach. I hit the Moroccan with my handbag and kicked him. Another much larger man came out of the car and stabbed Dave in the chest."

"The police came, but no ambulance. They just threw my husband into the car and me into another car."

"At the clinic in Lloret I was put in a room, told to be

quiet and the light was put out. I didn't know what had happened to Dave and they wouldn't let me see him. I began to cry and a nurse came in and told me to shut up and stop my nonsense."

It was left to a sympathetic English woman holidaymaker, a patient at the clinic, to break the news that her husband had died.

Mrs Mathieson had to take a taxi back to the scene of the attack. There she found that her children had been left to walk back to the family's hotel.

"The police never came back to see us, although we told them we could have identified at least one of the attackers," she said.

"I want the whole world to know how we were treated by the Spanish authorities."

POLICE DENIAL

'How could we?'

TIM BROWN, in Madrid reports: Lloret's chief police commissioner, Senor Benito Figueiras, called Mrs Mathieson's claims "absurd."

"It is totally wrong. How could we treat a person badly who had been hurt in every way possible — whose feelings and sentiments had been hurt, who had been hurt morally?"

He did not know of her being put into a dark room. "If that did happen it would have been for some medical reason," he claimed.

GIRL RAISES ALARM

Nine-year-old Lucy Clibborn raised the alarm, when she saw smoke pouring from a window at a block of old people's flats where her mother is a warden. Residents at Katherine's House, Harlow, Essex, were evacuated while the fire was brought under control.

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'TRUTH SQUAD' FERRARO RIPS INTO REAGAN

By FRANK TAYLOR in Washington

MRS GERALDINE FERRARO, saying she feels like a "one-woman truth squad," has launched some of the strongest attacks of the election campaign so far against President Reagan.

At a lunchtime rally in Baltimore and in her own constituency of Queen's, New York, she ripped into Mr Reagan's domestic and foreign policies.

She accused him of misleading the American public on a string of issues and took him to task for the latest lapse in security which led to the bombing of the American Embassy in Beirut.

Mr Reagan's likening of the unfinished security work to a kitchen that has not been completed by workmen was "unbelievable," she said.

Mrs Ferraro also admonished Mr Reagan for invoking the memory of John Kennedy in a speech last week in which he appealed to Democrats to switch parties.

"Don't tell us you supported John Kennedy, because you didn't," she declared.

"Don't tell us you will clean up the environment, because you don't."

"Don't tell us you've expanded opportunity, because you haven't."

"And don't tell us, Mr Reagan, your policies are fair, because they aren't."

New urgency

Mrs Ferraro admits that she has become frustrated by Mr Reagan's style of campaigning in which he emphasises opportunity and patriotism without discussing the issues.

"Mr Mondale and I have laid our cards on the table," she said. "Mr Reagan has opened an album of photo opportunities and asked us to look at the pictures inside."

The crowd of more than 6,000

at the Baltimore rally seemed to sense a new urgency and aggression in Mrs Ferraro's statements and responded enthusiastically.

Anti-abortion protesters were drowned out by enthusiastic pro-Ferraro groups with placards proclaiming "Nuns for Ferraro" and "Priests for Ferraro."

One sign even read "Mama mia for Ferraro"—Baltimore has a large Italian community.

WALESA CALLS FOR REALISM

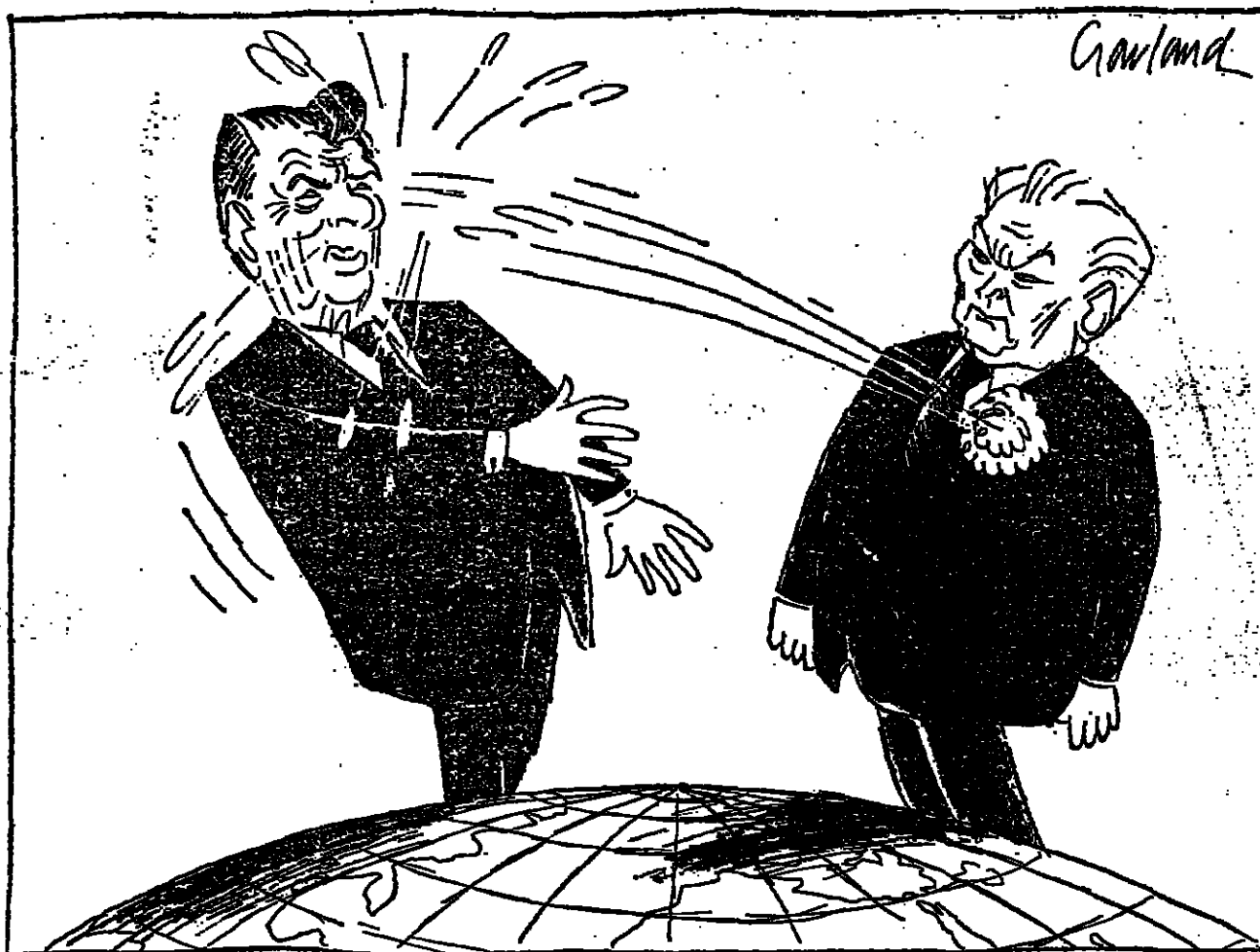
Lech Walesa, leader of Poland's outlawed Solidarity union, has urged fellow-activists freed from jail under a recent amnesty to display realism in the pursuit of their goals.

A Solidarity communiqué issued yesterday in the Baltic port of Szczecin said: "Lech Walesa pointed to the new social realities. While not giving up ideals and values which are fundamental and conform with social experience and desire, we have to find practical solutions."

PERTINI, 88

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Kohl's summit hint

By JULIAN ISHERWOOD in Copenhagen

THE American elections in November could pave the way for a summit of the two Germanies, Bonn's Chancellor Kohl said yesterday.

There have been other cancellations but the process will continue, Chancellor Kohl said at a Press conference concluding his 24-hour official visit to Denmark.

He had earlier forcefully stated his case after suggestions that a united Germany was not in Europe's political or military interest.

"I know of all the barbs we Germans committed during the war under the Nazi Administration but this does not mean we lose our rights as a German race," he said.

"A united Germany is not on

the agenda for many, many years. The present world picture does not allow it. But in a few generations' time maybe," a subdued Chancellor Kohl continued. "The division is inhuman and unnatural."

He confirmed that he is to meet President Mitterrand of France next week to discuss "the way forward" in the European Community, and the development of a European union.

"But other European countries need not fear any sort of German-French axis. This is not what we are trying to produce," he said.

Spain and Portugal would join the European Community in 1986, he said. "I have given my word to my Spanish and Portuguese colleagues."

STALEMATE ON HOSTAGES IN TRIPOLI

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent

The Foreign Office was unable to report any change yesterday in the position of the four British hostages in Tripoli.

One consequence has been a big reduction in the 8,000 British known to have been in Libya at the beginning of the year.

No charges have been made against the four, held in special accommodation, and it is clear the Libyans would like to bargain their release against the return of three Libyans held in Britain on charges of causing explosions.

VOLCANO ASH DIMS SUNLIGHT

By IAN WARD in Manila

A SIX-MILE-HIGH dense cloud of ash hung yesterday over the entire southern Luzon province of Albay, where the Mayon volcano continues its spectacular display.

Thousands more fled villages threatened by flows of lava and mud.

The aerial blanket of ash transformed the noon sky over the province into a murky half-

light as farmers around the volcano abandoned vast stretches of rice fields now lying under large layers of mud.

Philippine Airlines removed all jets from its southern Luzon schedules, replacing them with propeller-driven aircraft as a safety precaution against airborne volcanic ash, which can quickly snuff out jet engines.

Boulders big as cars

The Philippine Civil Aviation Authority continued to warn foreign commercial aircraft to fly clear of the ash clouds, which were drifting in several directions from the erupting crater, but have been meticulously plotted by satellite technology.

Throughout the day Mayon hurled boulders as big as cars into the air and down its slopes. To add to the awesome display flashes of lightning repeatedly hit the top of the belching cone of the volcano.

But volcanologists said seismic readings were now suggesting that the worst of the eruption, which began with a huge blast on Sept. 9, was over.

Many evacuees have been treated for burns and lung problems associated with inhalation of gases and ash, but no deaths have been reported as a result of the volcano's present eruption.

WORLD WEATHER

An effect possible

OUR SCIENCE CORRESPONDENT writes: If the Mayon eruption in Mexico and Mount St Helens prove comparable with the recent eruptions at El Chichón in the United States, it could have a slight but noticeable effect on the world's weather during the next two years.

If a sufficient quantity of dust spreads across the world's skies, it could block out some of the sunlight and produce slightly cooler summers.

But the effect will depend on the quantity of ash and debris emitted, which at present is difficult to gauge. If it is small, the effects will be local. If it is large, they could be detectably global.

TREASON TRIAL

TURNROUND

By Our Johannesburg Correspondent

Treason charges against three whites have been dropped after a two-day secret trial in the Pretoria Supreme Court. When the court adjourned yesterday, a hand-written statement said the three had been convicted under South Africa's Defence, Internal Security and Publications Acts.

Conviction under the original high treason charges could have meant the death penalty for Roland Mark Hunter, 25, of Johannesburg, a former clerk in the South African Army's intelligence headquarters, and Derek Hanekom, 31, and his wife Patricia, 27, who live near Pretoria. The hearing was adjourned until today.

Troops ordered to withdraw from Golden Temple

By BALRAM TANDON in New Delhi

SECURITY forces have been ordered by Mrs Gandhi, Prime Minister of India, to withdraw from the Golden Temple in Amritsar, holiest of Sikh shrines.

The forces are to withdraw before Sunday.

Sunday is a deadline set by the "Panj/Piari" ("five most beloved priests" of the Sikhs) faith, who threatened to lead a mass march on the temple by Sikhs on Monday.

Mrs Gandhi herself announced her decision in an unscheduled broadcast on radio television last night.

The withdrawal comes four months after the security forces were sent to liquidate the temple stronghold of Sikh extremists led by Sant Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale.

The withdrawal decision follows four days of negotiations and a surprise intervention by President Giani Zail Singh of India.

Ban on arms

The President, a Sikh, brushed aside personal castigation by the five high priests, who only some weeks before had declared him "tankhaiya" (a paid stooge) and threatened to excommunicate him unless he presented himself and offered an adequate explanation of his action in ordering the Indian Army to invade the Golden Temple on June 6.

Between Saturday, when the President's emissary hurried to Amritsar to meet the high priests, and yesterday Mrs Gandhi held three 40-minute sessions with President Giani Zail Singh to discuss the situation in the Punjab, the demands of the high priests, and their threat to lead a martyrdom march if troops were not withdrawn.

Mrs Gandhi's announcement yesterday followed within hours of the five high priests issuing a "hukamnamah" order by their command banning the carrying of "unlicensed and illegal arms" within the Golden Temple.

The ban was issued by the high priests holding court in the Darshan Deori (Threshold of the First Audience) and just a few feet from the Harimandir Sahib (Golden Temple proper).

It was in the form of a joint statement in which, among other things, they supported an earlier statement by one of them on the same lines.

On Monday the five high priests seized control of the Sikh agitation and imposed a blanket ban on functionaries of the Akali Dal (Sikh party) making any statement on the issue of the withdrawal of forces from the Golden Temple.

It is generally assumed the high priests will now find some clause enabling them to "forgive" President Giani Zail Singh.

On Sunday 29 of them from the Punjab Legislative Assembly visited New Delhi to urge her to withdraw troops and restore popular representative government in Punjab.

Mrs Gandhi's decision to withdraw troops was obviously also influenced by pressure from members of her own Congress party in Punjab.

She hoped the Army withdrawal would lead to a new era of peace and brotherly amity between Punjab communities.

Apart from their statement banning the carrying of unlicensed arms within temples the five high priests had exhorted Sikhs to muster in Amritsar in force for the projected Monday march to the Golden Temple.

France and Libya end confrontation in Chad

By MICHAEL FIELD in Paris

FRENCH and Libyan troops began withdrawing simultaneously from Chad yesterday at one minute after midnight, the French Foreign Ministry announced, ending hours of uncertainty.

The announcement came after reports in French newspapers that the operation had got off to a bad start.

The reports followed Chad's rejection of Libya's proposal that Benin, a left-wing pro-Libyan country, should provide one group of observers.

France has chosen Senegal as its "neutral" observers to see that both sides respect the evacuation agreement reached last week in Tripoli by M. Cheysson, French Foreign Minister, and Col Gaddafi, the Libyan leader.

Journalists in Chad will be allowed to go to Moussoro, halfway between Ndjamena, the capital, and Salal, the French expeditionary force's advanced post, to meet the first elements withdrawing from the defence line.

A spokesman at the Quai d'Orsay confirmed that the French components of a special liaison group had arrived in Kano, Northern Nigeria, where they will co-operate with Libyan officers in sorting out any hitches during the withdrawal.

Let down

Senegalese observers are also in Kano and the Libyan members of the mixed commission are awaited there, as are the "observers" from Benin, though they have been vetoed as "too pro-Libyan" by the Government of Chad's President Habre.

Newspapers are sceptical about efficient control by the observers. Physical presence is the only way to check whether the 4,000 Libyans, 3,000 soldiers of the "Islamic Legion" and the 3,000 Chad insurgents have actually gone, they say.

As Paris hurriedly seeks a substitute for the Benin forces unwanted by Chad, the Habre Government is making increasingly clear that it feels let down by the French, and that the agreement with Libya in no way binds them.

This could mean that as soon as the French have left their northern defences and the Libyans have begun to move out, the Chad Government will send in troops to recover Faya Largeau and other northerly posts occupied by the Libyan-backed insurgents under ex-President Koukoul.



THE terms of a settlement, or negotiations with the Government.

The arms ban cleared the way for Mrs Gandhi's announcement of withdrawal of troops from the shrine.

Before she went on radio and television Mrs Gandhi held an emergency session with the Political Affairs Committee (also known as the Inner Cabinet) comprising senior Ministers of her Government.

Temples returned

In her broadcast Mrs Gandhi emphasised her concern that holy places should be confined to worship, that political extremism should not be preached from them, and that they should not be converted into strongholds for terrorists.

She was also concerned about repairs being properly executed to buildings damaged during the June military operations, and she emphasised, too, that all of the 36 Sikh temples seized by the Army in June had been returned.

She hoped the Army withdrawal would lead to a new era of peace and brotherly amity between Punjab communities.

Apart from their statement banning the carrying of unlicensed arms within temples the five high priests had exhorted Sikhs to muster in Amritsar in force for the projected Monday march to the Golden Temple.

Mrs Gandhi's decision to withdraw troops was obviously also influenced by pressure from members of her own Congress party in Punjab.

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NATAL INDIANS REVEL IN ROW FOR THATCHER OVER DURBAN SIX

By A. J. McILROY in Johannesburg

JUBILANT officials of the Natal Indian Congress were celebrating last night what they described as a major propaganda coup in bringing about a diplomatic confrontation between South Africa and Britain.

Five of their leaders and another anti-apartheid fugitive are still holed up in the seventh floor office of the British Consulate in Durban. The fugitives were in the 15th day of their occupation yesterday.

"They are prepared to stay as long as it is felt necessary," said a Congress spokesman.

Mrs Thatcher had refused all along Congress requests for her Government to intervene on their behalf.

But she had also rejected South African Government demands to order the six out of the Consulate and Pretoria's angry response had guaranteed international publicity for the anti-apartheid lobby, the Congress said.

It had aimed all along to achieve maximum international publicity for their opposition to detentions without trial, as well as the country's new Constitution which replaced the whites-only Parliament with three separate chambers for whites, Coloureds (mixed blood) and Indians, but excluded blacks.

The fugitives are Mr Mewa Ramogobin, joint treasurer of the United Democratic Front, a multi-racial grouping of anti-

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apartheid organisations: Mr George Sewpersad, president of the Congress; Mr M. J. Naidoo, vice-president; Mr Arthur Gungede, president of the group; and Mr Billy Nair, a former member of the outlawed African National Congress who served time in South Africa's offshore Robben Island prison.

The sixth man who joined them is Mr Paul David, president of the campaign seeking the release of Nelson Mandela, the ANC leader.

The six men and their organisations led the successful appeal to South Africa's Indian population to boycott the elections for the Indian Chamber of Commerce on Sept. 5.

The five Congress members were arrested on Aug. 21 under Section 25 of South Africa's Internal Security Act but were released on appeal to the Natal Supreme Court.

The judge ruled that Mr Louis Le Grange Minister of Law and Order, had not presented

sufficient grounds for their detention. But within 24 hours of their release a re-detention order was issued without further explanation.

A nationwide search for the men, who by this time had been joined by Paul David, was called off after they walked into the British Consulate demanding sanctuary.

Lawyers representing the six lodged another appeal, this time against the re-detention order, which was heard at the Natal Supreme Court in Pietermaritzburg last week. The court said it expected to give judgment early this week, and at a later date a summary explaining that judgment.

The men in the Consulate indicated they would stay where they were, at least until the judgment and any further appeals.

Asylum ruled out

Mr Zac Yacoub, their blind lawyer, said from the outset that the fugitives were not seeking political asylum in Britain or anywhere else.

"We are asking the British government to intervene on their behalf, thereby putting pressure on South Africa over the new Constitution and detentions without trial," he said.

When the six walked into the British Consulate last Thursday week, the first reaction from Mr Simon Davey, the Consul, was to ask them to leave.

When they refused, he contacted the British Embassy in Pretoria for instructions and was told they could stay.

When it became clear the men's stay could be prolonged Mr Davey agreed to short daily visits from a member of each family, brief visits to a lavatory before dawn each morning to wash and shave, and use of a chemical lavatory provided by supporters.



Jacobus La Grance



Hendrix Botha



William Metelkamps



Stephanus de Jager

The four South Africans whose government has refused to return them to Britain to face arms smuggling charges.

Vienna Convention cited in Pretoria attack on Britain

By A. J. McILROY in Johannesburg

CONSULAR offices, in terms of the Vienna Convention, may not be used to provide asylum for fugitives from justice, according to an aide memoire drawn up by Mr Pik Botha, Pretoria's Foreign Minister.

The aide memoire was handed to Sir Anthony Acland, Permanent Secretary at the Foreign Office, last Thursday, by Dr Dennis Worrall, the South African Ambassador.

It read as follows: Shortly after the six South African nationals against whom detention notices were issued on Sept. 8 had sought refuge in the British Consulate in Durban on Sept. 13, the British Embassy in Pretoria informed the South African government that: They had made it clear to the six that the British Government would not act as negotiators or intermediaries over their political demands.

Ready to give up They were prevailing upon them to leave the Consulate and were expressing early success in this regard; and that the six had indicated in principle that they were not unwilling to surrender themselves peacefully to the South African authorities.

The South African government expressed appreciation for these assurances, and purposefully refrained from requesting the British Government to surrender the men, in order to give the Government the opportunity to persuade them to leave the Consular premises.

In accordance with customary international law, the South African authorities also refrained from entering the Consulate premises in order to take the six men into custody.

Obstruction of law As a result of the failure of the British Government to persuade the men to vacate the Consular premises during what, under the circumstances, must be considered to be a prolonged period of time, it has now become necessary to give effect to the detention notices.

Given the fact that the men may legally be taken into custody if the detention notices can be served on them, their presence in the Consulate and the resulting impossibility of serving the notices on them amounts to obstruction of law enforcement.

Mr Pik Botha points out that in terms of the Vienna Convention, it is the duty of Consular officials to respect the laws and regulations of the receiving State, and not to interfere in the country's internal affairs.

Furthermore, Consular premises may not, as a matter of law, be used as places of asylum for persons fleeing from the judicial and law-enforcement agencies of the receiving State.

Mr Botha then "urgently requested" Britain either to deliver the six in question to the appropriate authorities without delay, or alternatively, to instruct the head of the Consular post to allow the South

African police to take them into custody.

On Sept. 21, after the British Government had declined to intervene, South Africa issued a memorandum of protest, stating the case of law and order in South Africa.

In turn, Pretoria considered itself absolved from an undertaking to ensure that the four South African nationals accused of contravening British Customs and Excise legislation be returned to Britain to stand trial.

Link challenged

Mr Botha pointed out that Mr Worrall's request for an urgent meeting with Mr Acland had been refused.

On Sept. 24 the British Government replied that it was still giving careful study to the aide memoire of Sept. 20, and its stand remained that the men should not be forced to leave the Consulate against their will.

After challenging the claim that Britain had obstructed the enforcement of law and order in South Africa, Mr Botha stated that there was no justification for linking this matter to the four nationals charged with contravening British Customs and Excise legislation, the British reply went.

The clear undertaking of the South African government to ensure the return to the United Kingdom of the four involved in that case was given to a British court, and is primarily a matter for the courts.

The repudiation of the South African government of this undertaking is totally unacceptable.

We would also point out in respect of the South African government's request for an urgent meeting with the Prime Minister that a prompt reply was given.

As explained to the South African Ambassador on Sept. 21, the message could and would have been delivered to the Prime Minister and would, of course, have received her early attention.

Action 'copied'

In an aide memoire passed by Dr Worrall on Sunday night, the South African government said it found it incomprehensible that the British refusal to either surrender the six or allow the authorities to enter the Consulate did not amount to an obstruction to enforcement of South African law. The British Government's attitude in respect of the six forced the South African government to either enter the Consulate and take them into custody, or to take action similar to that of the British Government, and designed to illustrate South Africa's displeasure with the British actions.

The South African government decided on the latter course. The South African government trusts that the British Government will seriously ponder over the consequences which its attitude might have on saboteurs and terrorists who, in the future, might be encouraged to seek refuge from law enforcement agencies in embassies and consulates around the world.

Refusal to send back arms case men 'final'

By OUR JOHANNESBURG CORRESPONDENT

SOUTH AFRICA'S decision to break its pledge to a British court that four men would return to face arms smuggling charges could have serious long-term disadvantages, said Prof. John Dugard, head of the Department of Legal Studies at the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg.

There was no comparison between the case involving the four men and the detention order against the six fugitives in the Consulate, he said yesterday.

The four South Africans had been charged with specific alleged crimes, but the six in the Durban Consulate had not been accused of any offence, and the authorities were endeavouring merely to place them in preventive detention, said Prof. Dugard.

No extradition treaty exists between Britain and South Africa, but in practice common law criminals were generally exchanged "in a fairly reasonable way."

It was in this spirit of understanding that Jacobus La Grance, 38, Hendrix Botha, 49, William Metelkamps, 42, and Stephanus de Jager, 49, had been granted £180,000 bail in May and allowed to return to South Africa after Pretoria pledged that they would be sent back to Britain to stand trial.

Mr "Pik" Botha, South African Foreign Minister, has stated that the decision not to send the men back to Britain was final and would not be reversed irrespective of what happened about the situation at the Durban Consulate.

He said an investigation by Pretoria had established that the four men might have been

enticed to Britain by Customs and Excise and trapped into their alleged crimes.

They were arrested on March 31 and appeared in court in Coventry on charges relating to the alleged illegal export of military equipment to South Africa in defiance of the United Nations arms embargo.

Prof. Dugard said that the four men would have their alleged crimes hanging over their heads for the rest of their lives and could face arrest in other countries with which Britain has extradition agreements.

"The decision by the government is probably good for domestic consumption and will no doubt please the Right-wing," said Prof. Dugard, "but in international legal terms it appears to be very short-sighted and could have serious long-term disadvantages."

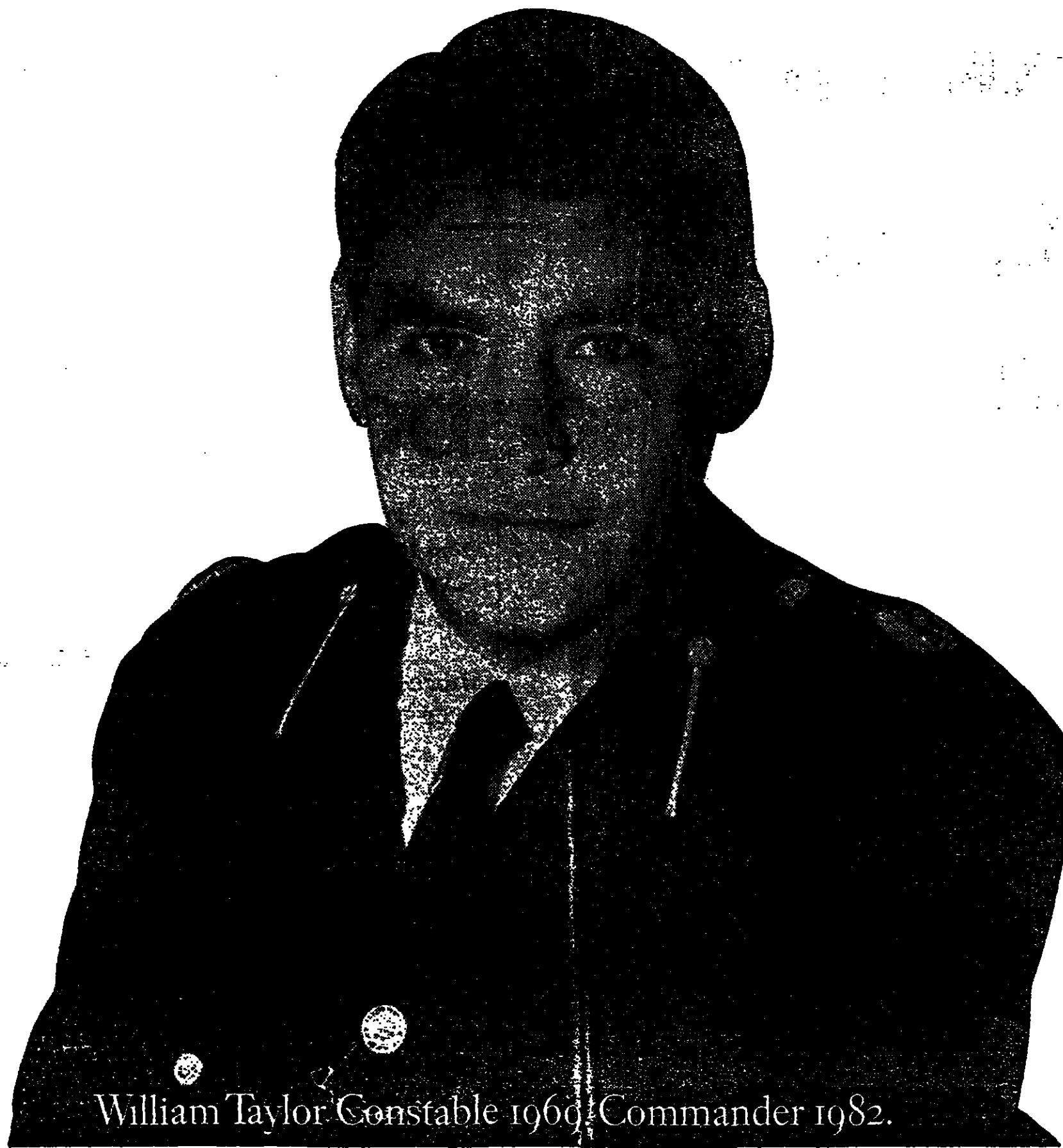
COVENTRY TRIAL

Four due back Oct. 22

GOV RAIS WRITES: The four South Africans, alleged to have been involved in the arms smuggling case, first appeared before Coventry magistrates with three British businessmen last April.

All were charged with attempting to evade a United Nations prohibition order on the export of goods to South Africa. They are due to appear at Coventry on Oct. 22.

The South Africans, who were remanded in custody, were later granted bail of £50,000 each and after an appearance at the High Court were allowed relaxation of their bail conditions, enabling them to return to South Africa.



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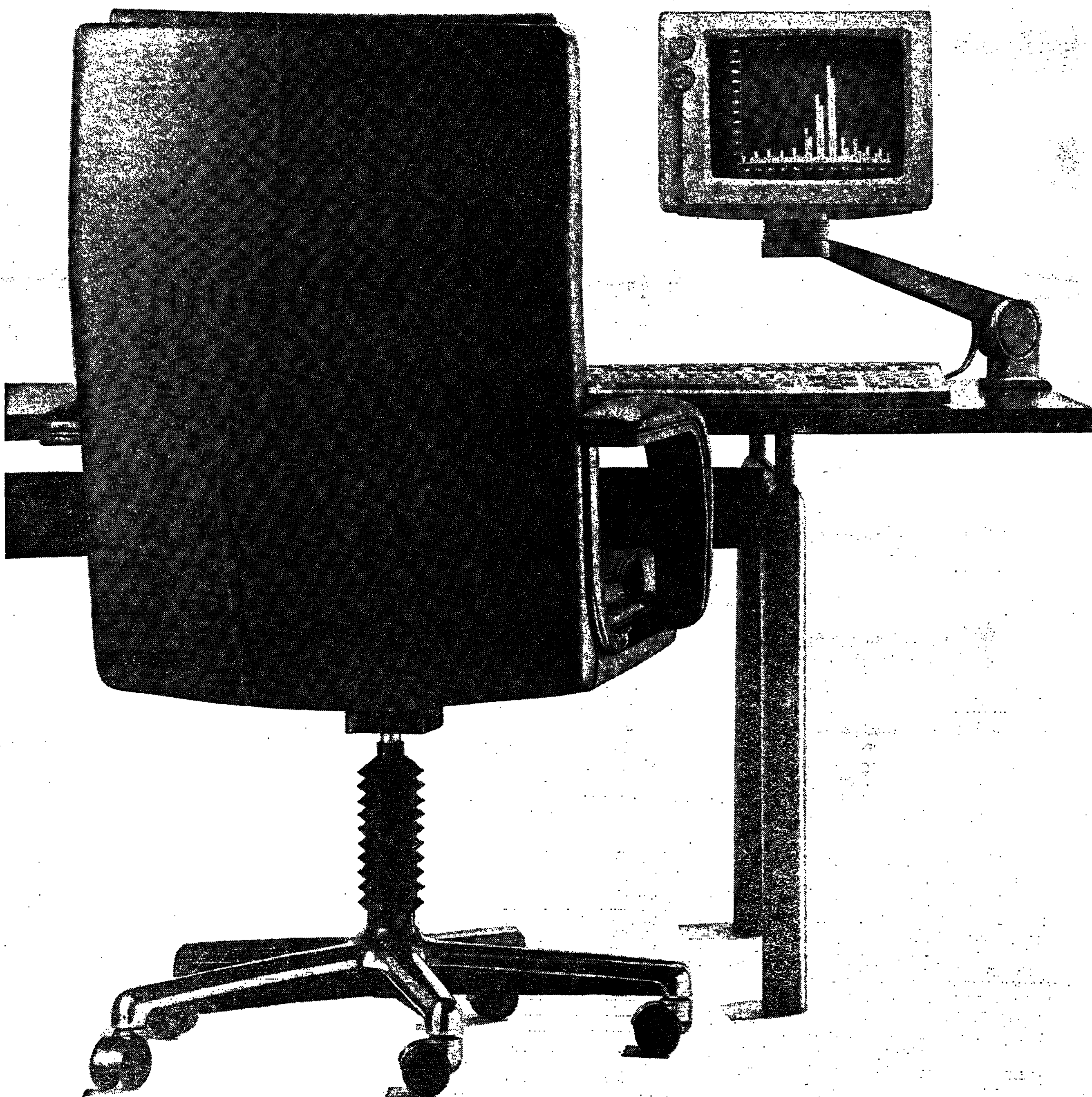
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FORD UNIONS SET PACE FOR NEW PAY ROUND WITH 14pc CLAIM

By MAURICE WEAVER Industrial Staff
 UNION leaders representing 40,500 hourly-paid workers at Fords yesterday submitted a claim for a 14 per cent. pay rise and a substantial hours cut, which, they say, is necessary to harmonise with European car makers.

The Ford claim, traditionally regarded as a pace-setter for the engineering industry, also includes a demand for a 12½ per cent. allowance for assembly line workers.

The unions say this is "to provide some extra reward and incentive to our members who work in the most punishing parts of the company."

The case for reduced working hours is backed by a warning that British workers are "fully aware" of the hours cut (to 35 weekly) achieved by their German counterparts as a result of the protracted I. G. Metall strike this summer.

It is the first significant indication that the widely-splintered German deal has raised union aspirations in Britain.

Ford management is due to respond to the joint claim by the 14 major unions on Oct. 18 — five weeks before the scheduled settlement date. It covers 24 plants in England, Wales and Belfast.

Poor results
 The union approach makes no concessions to management predictions that, after poor results last year, the company faces bleak times ahead, largely due to falling vehicle demand.

Mr Ron Todd, general secretary/designate of the Transport Workers Union and the senior

union negotiator, accused Fords of using financial sleight of hand "to disguise a far rosier picture."

The written claim registered "grave doubts" about the veracity of the annual figures, questioning in particular a decision to set aside £245 million to cover deferred taxation — a move which helped turn a £178 million pre-tax profit into a £103 million loss.

Mr Todd said as he emerged from the talks: "We argued that this provision could have been made on a flow-through basis over a 10 or 12 year period. The obvious thought is that the company has seized on the opportunity to depress its real profitability."

Payment 'odd'
 The unions are also critical of the fact that Ford UK made a £39 million dividend payment to its American parent company.

The claim says "it seems odd" that this should have been made while the parent company had still to repay a £645 million loan extended by its British subsidiary in 1981 and 1982.

The claim asserts: "In our view, even allowing the provisions made for closure costs, the group made £97 million

profit after tax for the financial year ending Dec. 31, 1983."

The unions argue that the annual hours worked by Ford employees in Britain are greater than those of its international competitors. They want a reduction of from 1,835 hours annually to 1,720 hours, achieving this by an extra week's holiday and a further 9½ paid days off to be taken individually.

The claim says British workers are increasingly aware that their opposite numbers in Germany, France and Belgium "already enjoy more time off in the year than they do."

It asserts: "We are not prepared to go into 1985 working by a substantial margin, the longest hours of any European car workers."

On the pay front the unions say they want a "substantial rise," qualifying this with a declaration that they are "prepared to limit our claim to 14 per cent," a sum which they assess is needed to restore car workers' purchasing power to 1979 levels.

Extra hour's money
 It wants the line workers allowance to be implemented by the payment of one extra hour's pay per shift.

Current basic pay and attendance supplements give day workers between £117.68 and £151.97 a week. But a majority do alternative spells of day and night work, getting between £136.13 and £175.80 according to grade.

Top earnings are in the press shop where a system of five-day "rolling" shifts pays £169.78. The union claim also seeks consolidation of the attendance supplement and improvements to pensions and sick pay.

£2m YACHT ORDERS
 By Our Shipping Correspondent

New orders worth more than £2 million are reported by Western Yachts, which claims to be Britain's biggest yacht-builder with proposals to build about 300 boats a year. It is based at Waterlooville, Hants.



A pat of approval from Mr Tebbit after the Trade and Industry Secretary had launched Leyland Truck's 72-ton Roadrunner by driving it round the block from his office in Westminster yesterday.

End of era for Royal Dockyard

By DESMOND WETTERN Naval Correspondent

PORTSMOUTH ceases to be a Royal Dockyard for the Navy this week, only 10 years short of the 800th anniversary of its founding by Richard I.

The dockyard will be used as an operational and maintenance base and major warship refits will mostly be concentrated at Devonport and Rosyth.

The run down of Portsmouth

dockyard was part of the policy of reducing the Navy put forward by Sir John Nott, as Defence Secretary in 1981.

It was intended to cut the labour force from 7,000 to 1,200, but with more ships being retained in the active fleet after the Falklands conflict, it was decided to retain some 2,400.

A new Fleet maintenance establishment and an operational base for minesweepers and hunters has been set up inside the dockyard and the primary task of the civilian workforce in the various work-

shops will be to help Naval technical staff with routine maintenance.

To retain certain skills a few refits will still be done at Portsmouth. The Antartic ice patrol ship, Endurance, 3,600 tons, is now being refitted in the dock and will probably be followed by the frigate Diomedea, 2,450 tons.

At its peak in the 1930s-40s was the dockyard employed more than 20,000 workers.

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Private firms save public sector £16 million

By OUR INDUSTRIAL STAFF

THE opening of the public sector to commercial competition, a central plank of Conservative policy, is estimated to have produced savings already of over £16 million for public service bodies.

The process began in the relatively uncomplicated areas of domestic services with the contracting out of council refuse collection and hospital cleaning.

It has now expanded into white-collar technical and administrative functions.

Fierce trade union antipathy to the concept, loudly expressed at the TUC Congress earlier this month and destined to be further voiced at the Labour party conference next week, is based on both ideological and financial objections.

But the private contractors and their supporters argue that in most public sector situations they have shown themselves able to cut costs by around one fifth without resorting to lower pay or inferior terms and conditions for their workforce.

Comparable service

Mr James Barlow, marketing director of Bregreen Holdings, one such contractor, told a privatisation conference recently that generally speaking he has been able to provide a comparable service with around 20-45 per cent. fewer people than the in-house operation his firm replaced.

Companies with the profit motive generally had tighter management and smaller overheads than local authorities, he claimed.

While there have been a number of well-publicised problems at hospitals and local authorities that have made the switch and many Left-wing councils continue to hold out against the movement, the privatisers continue to make deep inroads into the public sector preserves.

A survey by Public Services Review, the journal of the Public Services Research Centre, shows that in the three months covered 31 new contracts, varying from grass-cutting to laundry, had produced annual savings of £2,253,659.

The true figure is probably higher, the magazine states, because "bureaucratic obstruction" at some local councils has made it difficult to get comparable before-and-after costings.

Hidden economies

There are also many hidden economies which are difficult to quantify. These include capital savings — those which occur, say, when a council sells off its surplus capital equipment to the newly-contracted private firm — and the reduced requirement for "back up" office staff.

A number of councils have in recent times brought in com-

mercial business consultants to assess how they can become more efficient, cost-effective and responsive. Their findings have inevitably tended to displease the unions.

Mr Graham Mather, head of the policy unit of the Institute of Directors, a member of Westminster City Council and a committed privatiser, said: "Experience has shown that anything is potentially contractable."

"Over the years local authorities have taken on many functions which private enterprise can perform better and more effectively." He referred to valuation, architectural and legal services, computer, security and stationary printing as examples.

But inertia remains a problem in some authorities, including a few that are Conservative-controlled, said Mr Mather. Those which have never put their functions out to tender have not had the benefit of a yardstick by which to measure their efficiency.

The institute is consequently pressing the Government to introduce an element of competition in its next round of legislation.

The Department of Health has already required its 192 health authorities to state their privatisation proposals in hospital cleaning, laundry and catering. The State currently spends respectively £301 million, £337 million and £85 million on these functions.

£1.3m savings

Twelve privatisation contracts agreed since July are reckoned to have achieved savings for the taxpayer of £1,500,000, according to Department of Health figures.

Typically the contracting out of domestic cleaning services in the new Clarendon Wing of Leeds General Hospital is estimated to have saved £45,000 a year, 90 per cent. on the in-house figure and the Midway Health Authority has reported a saving of £1 million over three years by switching to private hospital cleaners.

A recent privatisation directory published by the Conservative Central Office lists 50 different functions where Tory local authorities have successfully brought in commercial companies. They vary from pest control to public relations, deck-chair hire to tree pruning.

In a growing number of cases the existing council-employed workforce is also able to compete successfully with the outside tenders. Often they have done so by tightening up on working practices and even cutting staff.

Docks expansion plan opposed by villagers

By JOHN SHAW

A £100-MILLION expansion scheme for Felixstowe Docks, which would encroach into an area of outstanding natural beauty, has run into opposition from two villages overlooking the picturesque Orwell estuary in Suffolk.

They have started a joint campaign against the scheme and Mr Leslie Ridgson, one of the leaders, said: "Felixstowe is a great commercial success story; nobody would deny that but we say enough is enough."

The Felixstowe Dock and Railway Company, which operates the largest and most successful container port in Britain, wants to extend the dock along the foreshore of Trimley Marshes and back into the hinterland of Trimley St Mary (population 2,500), and Trimley St Martin (population 1,500), an area of about 100 acres.

It lies between the A45, the main trunk road to the port, and the river, and would be a natural extension of the already crowded port boundary on the east bank of the Orwell. The marshes were drained many years ago and the land, now agricultural, is largely owned by Trinity College, Cambridge.

Site worth £7m
 Mr Ridgson, a management accountant and chairman of the Trinity St Mary parish council, said: "I have been round the area with the district valuer. The land is worth about £2,000 an acre for agricultural use, but £75,000 an acre for industrial use with development potential which gives the whole site a potential added value of about £7 million."

"It would be a very profitable thing for them. We are not against profit, but our point of view is that it would take over the entire area."

These proposals would frankly devastate our village and ruin the environment with dirt, grime overhead lights and queues of container lorries. These villages are still growing as communities and it would be the end of them."

It has been said the project would bring up to 1,500 new jobs to the district, but the villagers say that with new roads it would create a dockland on their doorstep.

A new terminal, a channel dredged to a depth of 40 feet with warehouses, cranes and parking areas for container lorries would deny them their footpaths, destroy the beach and spoil the countryside.

Not factual

A Felixstowe port spokesman said: "We feel that some of the assertions by the villagers are exaggerated. They are not factual."

"We have engaged a landscape architect who is looking at methods of lessening the problem of visual intrusion by planting mature trees, and we have engaged a noise consultant who is also looking at the problems of keeping intrusion from overhead lights down to a minimum."

"We are sensitive to the problems of the residents. A modern dock is not a dirty gritty place, but very well ordered; it has to be if it is to function efficiently."

"Although we are intruding into an area of outstanding natural beauty it is only a small part of that area which is involved. The area itself is very large and extends right up the river and also up the coast as far as Aldeburgh."

"We are running a port which is trying to attract the world's shippers. If they cannot come here they will go to Europe and, in the end, that will have a detrimental effect on employment, particularly in the Felixstowe area."

GOVERNMENT PLEDGES TO AID MARATHON

By Our Sports Correspondent

The Prime Minister has assured organisers of the London Marathon that the Government will help to find an alternative headquarters for the event if County Hall is sold.

Mr Christopher Bracher, the marathon director, feared that the race, the biggest in the world, would have to be abandoned after the planned abolition of the Greater London Council because County Hall is an important part of the event.

Last year the building housed the administration, press and medical headquarters for the race which finished on the adjoining Westminster Bridge.

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CONVEYANCING LICENCES FOR NON-SOLICITORS URGED BY INQUIRY

By **TERENCE SHAW** Legal Correspondent

TEST of competence and controls on non-solicitor conveyancers will be almost as stringent as for practising solicitors if the Government implements recommendations in a report of its Conveyancing Committee published yesterday.

It proposes that anyone wanting to compete with qualified solicitors for domestic conveyancing work would need an annual licence from a new Council for Licensed Conveyancers.

The council would be responsible for examining the competence of non-solicitor conveyancers.

It would also lay down a code of conduct, and ensure that licensed conveyancers had adequate insurance and a compensation fund in cases of fraud.

Prof Julian Farrand, a Law Commissioner and head of the committee, said yesterday that it licensed conveyancers were allowed to compete with solicitors, he believed conveyancing costs could come down by 25 to 30 per cent.

The threat was already making solicitors more efficient, and having profound effects on the profession, he claimed.

Charges advertised

"At the moment it is said that solicitors charge what their clients are willing to pay. I do not think that is fair. Solicitors will now have to say what they are going to charge."

The report recommends that conveyancers should be able to advertise charges.

The committee was set up by the Government last February to consider what controls are necessary to protect the public when it brings forward legislation ending the solicitors' 180-year near-monopoly of conveyancing and allows banks and building societies to compete.

The group included representatives of banks, building societies, consumer groups, local authority associations and solicitors.

It recommends that the licensing council should be made up of people from the Law Society, the Institute of Legal Executives, the Building Societies Association and other consumer bodies. The chairman would be appointed by the Lord Chancellor.

Eventually the council should have a majority of licensed conveyancers.

Lord Hailsham, the Lord Chancellor, is expected to decide

if he believed the committee had "sounded overboard" on the qualifications to be required of licensed conveyancers.

It would not help to break the monopoly because few would be encouraged to become licensed conveyancers, Mr Ashford argued.

The chairman of the Consumers' Association, Rachel Waterhouse, said: "This is exactly what we were hoping for when we promoted the House Buyer's Bill last year."

Two years' experience

The committee recommends that non-solicitors seeking a conveyancing licence should have to pass a written examination set by the new Conveyancing Council. Part 1 would involve a general knowledge of the law similar to A level GCE. Part 2 would be a more detailed conveyancing paper up to the level of solicitors' finals.

All conveyancers would also have to gain two years' practical experience of domestic conveyancing before becoming eligible for a licence. They could do this while preparing for the examinations.

Those with at least 10 years' experience of domestic conveyancing would be able to apply to the council for an oral test to determine whether they should be exempt from all or part of the written examinations.

Notaries public and barristers who wanted to become licensed conveyancers would also have to take the written test, or if they could show suitable conveying experience — the oral test for exemption.

Appeals against decisions of the council refusing licences or striking off conveyancers would be to the county courts.

The aim was that there should be "no crooks" among non-solicitor conveyancers.

Under the proposals, licensed conveyancers would be "a quarter as qualified as solicitors overall, but equally qualified with solicitors over domestic conveyancing."

Not surprisingly the idea was welcomed by the Law Society, the solicitors' governing body, which had called for stringent controls on licensed conveyancers and rules that were "fair to all."

An edible cake

Qualified approval came from Mr David Ashford, chairman of the National Association of Conveyancers, which represents 15 non-solicitor conveyancing firms already operating under the constraints imposed by the Solicitors Act.

"Without apparent rancour, a committee consisting of 11 lawyers and three lay people has cooked a largely edible cake, and conveyancers can therefore expect a proper share of it if ever the report is implemented."

While his association welcomed the proposed safeguards for the protection of the public,

he said Mr Timothy Bashir, 57, a member of the Pakistani national congress, smuggled the drug with the aid of his wife, Rana, 38.

Both admitted importing nearly 2 kilos of high quality heroin in the false bottoms of two suitcases. The drug was destined for Canada or America but was intercepted by Customs Officers as the couple passed through Heathrow.

"The proceeds from the sale of the drug was to fund a heart operation," said Mr Timothy Bashir, who was charged with heroin smuggling. Another accused, Mohammed Tufail, has pleaded not guilty. The couple will be sentenced at the end of Tufail's trial later this week.

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CONCERN IN WAKE OF DR CLIFT CASE TO BE PUT TO MPs

DAILY TELEGRAPH REPORTER

CONCERN among forensic scientists over their profession's public standing in the wake of the case of Dr Alan Clift, the discredited Home Office forensic scientist, is to be raised in the Commons this autumn.

Mr Jack Ashley, Labour MP for Stoke-on-Trent South, said yesterday that he would raise the matter when the House returned.

HOW TO MISS BOLTS FROM THE BLUE

Daily Telegraph Reporter

ADVICE on how to avoid being struck by lightning was offered by a team of Singapore scientists at the International Association of Forensic Sciences conference meeting in Oxford yesterday.

In a study of lightning deaths they discovered that golf courses and football fields, small boats and bus shelters were among the most dangerous places to be in a thunderstorm, along with the more familiar danger of sheltering under a tree.

The scientists, from the Singapore Department of Pathology, discovered that two thirds of lightning deaths occur in partly sheltered areas.

Saved by necklace

The scientists found that some remarkable escapes have been made from the full force of a lightning strike.

One girl's life was saved because she was wearing a metal necklace when she was struck. The necklace directed away the full force of current but melted, burning her skin.

As precautionary measures in thunderstorms they recommend that people should seek shelter in a well-grounded building or metal-bodied vehicle such as a saloon car. If in an unprotected shed keep away from metal objects, pipes or wet walls.

They add: "If caught on the open ground with nowhere for shelter, crouch down in the lowest point or depression. It is better to get wet than killed."

LIGHTNING VICTIM

The schoolboy killed by lightning during a games lesson was named yesterday as Richard Fenn, 14, of Witham Close, Bedford, pupil at St Thomas More School, Bedford.

TOOL JOBS PLAN

Black and Decker, the power tool manufacturers, are to build an £8 million distribution centre at Northampton, creating 50 new jobs. Work is due to be finished in 1988.



Mrs Lynda Chalker, Minister of State for Transport, suitably dressed in trousers when she set off for a lunchtime cycle ride yesterday. She ran into some criticism last month when she wore a voluminous dress (right) at the launching of a £1 million national cycle safety campaign. "I wore the dress because it was a hot day," she explained.



£20m 'concrete toast rack' laboratories dazzle neighbours

By JOHN SHAW

AN eye-catching and award-winning glass building, sought out by lovers of modern architecture, is at the centre of a row over "solar glare" on the prestigious Cambridge Science Park.

The £20 million headquarters of Napp Laboratories, made of concrete and reflective mirror glass, has been dazzling neighbouring businesses which include some of the most innovative high technology firms in Britain.

The park, a focus for high technology, is owned by Trinity College Cambridge. Napp Laboratories, a leading pharmaceutical company, occupies a key position on the site adjoining the A45 on the northern fringe of Cambridge.

Annual award

Its light green glass exterior, intersected with broad white concrete ribs, won an award from the Concrete Society earlier this year as "an outstanding example of modern architecture."

The judges of the competition to find the best building structure praised the laboratory as "an excellent example of a design concept executed with clarity."

It has gained a worthwhile building and its integration with the landscape made a visit there "a memorable experience."

Locally, it won the annual award from the East Anglian Institute of Civil Engineers and it is already a landmark for many visitors to Cambridge.

But local people describe the building as "a concrete toast rack," and Goodfellow Metals, one of the firms adjoining the laboratory, is so exasperated by the glare that it wants the building covered by blinds.

Potential hazard

Mr. Andrew Goodfellow, managing director of the company, said: "The problem could be solved with motor-driven, solar-controlled, external blinds. It would cost them £250,000, but they can afford it."

Goodfellow Metals spent £1 million on its building and 30 staff moved in in January. He said: "We like the site and it provides a lovely view for the staff."

"Unfortunately, because of dazzle from the Napp building, we have to have the curtains drawn, or blinds across, whenever the sun is out during the afternoon."

He said the glare could occur so suddenly that it was a potential hazard for people working with dangerous chem-

icals and rotating machinery. The glare could easily cause an accident.

Napp is a British company employing 300, but it is owned by an American family. It has already paid for blinds to be installed at Goodfellow Metals and another company which could also be affected by reflections, Cambridge Consultants.

Napp has also paid £70,000 for a tree barrier and landscaping work between itself and Goodfellow's premises.

Mr Goodfellow said: "That hasn't helped and we feel we should not have to sit here unable to see out because of the building. It is a problem caused by them, and I want them to solve it by covering up the reflected glass."

At one stage he was so annoyed he suggested they cover up all the glass with black paint to take away the glare.

He also feels annoyed he was not warned either by Trinity College or Napp of the extent of the dazzle problem when commissioning the design of his own building where work started in Jan. 1983.

Solar glare

Mr Goodfellow said that had his company known of the difficulty it could have chosen another site "so that dazzle would not have been a problem."

Napp commissioned work on solar glare from its contractors, Lasing Research, who are understood to have said that

experiments showed nearby buildings would only suffer from solar glare for an average of five hours a year.

But Mr Goodfellow believes that report was misconceived and says that the buildings suffer several hours a week in the months from May to October.

He hoped that in the future the question of dazzle will become a compulsory legal check on searches during property purchase.

He said: "Solar glare is a serious problem. It is a matter being considered around the world as more and more glass buildings are being built. In Texas reflective glass buildings have caused a number of traffic accidents."

Napp, whose headquarters was completed in 1983, would not comment. A spokesman said: "This is a problem with legal implications and we have put the matter in the hands of our external legal advisors. We have nothing to say at the moment."

PENSIONERS' ORDEAL

Mrs Dorothy Owen, 86, was left tied to a bed for 11 hours by raiders who snatched £5 from her home in Chirk, North Wales. In another attack, in Sheffield, two men kicked their way into the home of a partly-blind man of 82, threw him to the floor and took his wallet, containing £35.

Council executives profit from boom in tourism

By JOHN GRIGSBY Local Government Correspondent

COUNCIL chief officers will be among those benefiting from this year's record tourist season, adding several thousand pounds to their salaries in some popular areas.

For the pay of chief executives and chief officers is linked to the population of the area — and tourists are included in the population figures.

No final figures will be available for several months, but officers in towns like York, Windsor, Stratford-upon-Avon and Chester could benefit from this year's boom.

This brought nearly six million visitors to Britain in the first half of the year and the total figure for 1984 may rise to more than 13,500,000.

The chief officers' salaries are banded according to the population they serve, starting at a range of £12,459 to £15,845 for councils with a population of under 75,000.

Salaries rise to £27,846 to £29,959 for councils with a population of two million or more.

Substantial increases

The joint negotiating committee for chief officers said that they had invited councils to submit their latest figures.

"There are certain to be substantial increases running into thousands of pounds in some tourist areas."

To arrive at the figure, the councils divide the number of tourists in their area by four and add the number to their residential population. Therefore a chief officer in a popular area with a residential population of about 100,000 which attracts 800,000 visitors a year could add 200,000 to his population band.

Mr Gordon McCartney, secretary of the Conservative-controlled Association of District Councils, which represents most of the popular tourist resorts, said yesterday: "Under the conditions of service for chief executives and chief officers, councils can take into account the number of people visiting recognised tourist resorts."

The argument is that during the season they have to provide a much greater range of services and that causes added responsibility for the people who run the services."

ONE-IN-TEN DROWNINGS IN BATH

By IAN BOYNE

NEARLY 500 people drowned in Britain excepting Scotland, last year, and almost a tenth of them died in the bath.

There were a total of 485 recorded drownings, of whom 79 per cent, were male, according to statistics released by the Royal Life Saving Society.

Most drownings, 174, occurred in rivers, followed by the sea, 96, lakes and reservoirs, 62, domestic baths, 45, swimming pools, 31, and canals, 28. Garden ponds accounted for 16 deaths.

The latest figures show a slight decrease from 1982's total of 518 drownings, although the male figure at 382 drownings, was up by four per cent.

In 19 per cent of all cases alcohol was regarded as a contributory factor, with drug abuse contributing to 2.5 per cent of all incidents.

Mr Jeremy Harrison, a spokesman for the Royal Life Saving Society, said detailed computer analysis of the statistics ends the speculation that swimmers, because they deliberately enter the water, are more at risk.

He said the research showed that swimmers are up to three and a half times less likely to drown than non-swimmers.

Water safety

Mr Harrison said: "If we are to reduce the tragic loss of life by drowning we must make sure not only that more people learn to swim, but also that they learn water safety, rescue and safer swimming skills."

"A widespread knowledge of the dangers of different types of water and how to help others who get into difficulty is vital."

The society has launched a safer swimming and rescue skills awards programme, called Aquapack, which allows swimmers and non-swimmers of any age and ability to progress through the skills and awards at their own pace.

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In summer, a cooling system is needed, able to cope with a store occupancy of 180 people at any one time, and a fresh air requirement of 10 litres per second for each person.

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Ideally suited to the application because of their ability to accommodate quickly any fluctuations in temperature and humidity caused by the weather or internal heat gains, the heat pumps now provide a comfortable environment all the year round.

The heat pump works by drawing free heat energy from the outside air and raising its temperature so it can be used to heat the shop.

This process can be reversed automatically to draw heat out of the shop, and thereby cool it.

The outside coils, fan and compressor in this installation were sited on the roof, where they do not interfere with interior space or decor. The air-handling units inside the shop were neatly installed behind the display area.

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THAMES WATER MAY METER HOME SUPPLIES

By JOHN CRISBY Local Government Correspondent

THE Thames Water Authority, Britain's largest, is seriously considering the possibility of installing water meters to determine how much customers should pay.

Mr Roy Watts, chairman, said yesterday: "I have strong views that metering customers would be fundamentally right. Customers would have the choice whether to turn on or whether not to turn on, because people would have to pay for it."

COUNCILS' CASH 'NOT HELD BACK'

By Our Political Staff

THE Government yesterday refused to allow charges that it had diverted four million of pounds from the inner-city housing programme.

A leaked confidential internal memorandum, dated May 2 and sent to Dr John Cunningham, Shadow environment secretary, had revealed that the GLC was allegedly "diverted" of £32 million. Hackney £9 million, Leicester £7 million, and Liverpool City £3 million.

The memorandum also contains the remark that Sir George Young, under-secretary at the Department of the Environment, considered the non-payment "political dynamite."

But in a swift response Mr Jenkin, Environment Secretary, said: "We have not 'taken money' from anyone; nor could future changes in the grants related expenditure have any effect on rate limitation this year."

Freely available

Mr Jenkin explained that the memorandum was a first response to a complex initial proposal by officials to prepare papers for a joint government/local government working group.

He stated: "George Young was quite right to draw attention to the fact that, since any change would involve gains and losses amongst authorities, development work was bound to be sensitive."

Mr Jenkin also emphasised that all the papers dealing with the development work were freely available to the local authority associations, and that the whole operation had been conducted openly in full consultation with the local authority representatives.

Disclosures in the leaked memorandum, however, prompted a call for the immediate dismissal of Mr Jenkin by Mr Greville Janner, Labour MP for Leicester West.

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He made clear that a study was being undertaken with the intention that Thames should implement metering.

Commercial customers already often pay by the amount of water they use. But almost all domestic customers are charged according to their properties' rateable values.

This means that a single ratepayer in a large house can pay far more than a larger family in a smaller house using far more water.

In the past, water meters have been considered impracticable because of the expense of installing and reading them. But the latest meters, connected to the service pipe, cost only about £15 each and the cost could fall drastically if they were ordered and installed in bulk.

Mr Watts said that there was no reason why one man should not read the meters for all the public utilities, so reducing the expense for each.

Staff cuts

The authority has embarked on a major cost-cutting programme since Mr Watts, the former group managing director of British Airways, took over as chairman almost a year ago.

Management staff has been cut by 25 per cent., non-manual staff by 16 per cent. and manual staff, who bore the brunt of previous efficiency moves, by seven per cent. More than 1,000 Thames workers have taken voluntary redundancy.

Rate increases have been kept to 1½ per cent. below the rate of inflation and in November the authority's headquarters is to move from Finsbury to Reading.

The lease of a large London office block in Westminster Broadway has been sold and another 10 properties disposed of.

ULLSWATER TO EASE DROUGHTS

Mr Jenkin, Environment Secretary, has given permission for water to be taken from Ullswater to ease the drought in the north-west of England.

The North-West Water Authority had applied to be allowed to lower the level of the lake by up to 3ft.



Mr Kinnock launching a book analysing the decline in the Labour party's popularity over the last three decades at GLC headquarters at County Hall yesterday. The Labour leader is among the contributors.

Boom time for Concorde & QE2

By JOHN PETTY Shipping Correspondent

THE world's biggest bargain in up-market package holidays is keeping one Concorde in business and providing thousands of extra passengers for the QE2.

Conard has taken 7,500 bookings worth about £7,500,000 for the Concorde-QE2 transatlantic package for the April-November period of this year alone.

The price starting at £995

compares with the normal one-way fare of £1,245 charged by British Airways for a London-New York trip in Concorde. The Cunard charter deal gives five days at sea in the QE2 and a stay at the Waldorf Astoria hotel in New York as well as a Concorde flight.

It is the greatest marketing success for years by Cunard, which has chartered about 150 Concorde flights this year. Most are connected with the trans-Atlantic tours but others are linked to different cruises of the QE2.

Concorde will, for example, make its first commercial flight to Australia early next year to link-in with the world cruise of the QE2 this winter.

Passengers can book for sections of the voyage and Concorde flights will connect with the ship at Sydney, Hongkong, Singapore and Rio if necessary.

In the past 12 months, QE2 has carried a total of 60,000 passengers, and Cunard's other four passenger liners have carried a further 95,000 customers.

Scotch 'sold at loss' to move stocks

By Our Commercial Correspondent

SCOTCH whisky has been sold at less than 48p a bottle, before tax, by companies desperate to move stocks. Mr Raymond Miquel, chairman and managing director Arthur Bell, stated yesterday.

"This is a loss of £1 per case of 12 bottles on materials alone," Mr Miquel said in announcing a record pre-tax profit of more than £35 million for Bell in the year ended last June.

Bell, based at Perth, takes one-fifth of the British market for Scotch whisky.

Mr Miquel said the "desperation" of some of his rivals had been uncovered by a study of their financial returns made to St Andrew's House, where company records have to be filed in Scotland. At least one of the price-cutters had gone bankrupt.

World recession, coupled with high tax (about £5.55 a bottle in Britain) has cut international sales of Scotch, resulting in large stocks in Scotland.

Now the American market is being depressed by a campaign in which restaurant displays signs reading: "Government Health Warning. If you are pregnant and drink spirits your baby may be born deformed."

Bell is diversifying into leading hotels. Earlier this year it bought the Gleneagles Hotel group in Britain.

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BMA order review of what patients should be told

By DAVID FLETCHER Health Services Correspondent

A REVIEW of the guidance given to doctors on how much they should tell their patients before they consent to an operation was announced by the British Medical Association yesterday.

It will be carried out by

the Central Ethical Committee in the light of two recent legal cases involving the patient's right to know.

Existing advice says a patient must give "fully informed consent" before any medical procedure is carried out. For a doctor even to touch a patient without consent is an assault.

Onus on doctor

The BMA advice adds: "Consent is valid when freely given if the patient understands the nature and consequences of what is proposed."

"The necessary degree of understanding of what is proposed depends on the patient's education and intelligence, the seriousness and urgency of the condition being investigated or treated."

"The onus is always on the doctor carrying out the procedure to see that an adequate explanation is given."

A spokesman for the British Medical Association said the guidance was being reconsidered to see whether a better definition could be achieved.

The review has been given urgency by the death last month of Mr Peter Holtom, of Stevenage, Hertfordshire. He claimed it was only after an operation that he was given the full facts that he had cancer. He said that if he had known he would have declined surgery.

His widow promised him before he died that she would take his case to the High Court to get a ruling establishing that a patient has a right to know the full facts of his condition before undergoing surgery.

Earlier this year a patient at Bethlem Royal Hospital, Camberwell, unsuccessfully sued the hospital governors after an operation left her severely disabled. She said that had she been more fully informed of the risks, she would not have agreed to the operation.



He could have chosen a better time to disappear.

Balancing the workload when an employee is called into hospital at short notice can be an unsteady experience for any business.

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DEATHS, IN MEMORIAM

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THE ARTS

THEATRE / Up 'n' Under

All in the game

YOU COULD hardly find a more simple story, or a more gormless set of characters than the team folded in "Up 'n' Under" at the Warehouse. Nevertheless, this comedy success from Edinburgh Festival's fringe provides 90 minutes of fairly continuous fun.

The play casts a tongue-in-cheek snook at the innocent enthusiasts who play seven-a-side rugby. In prospect, it did not promise to be my cup of tea. But Jan Godber's rough humour has considerable charm, and his direction is as physical, and as exhausting, as anything we have seen since the boxing farce "Trafford Tanzi".

We follow the dreadful fortunes of sturdy Arthur, a retired player who for a big bet has staked his house—undertakes to train Wheatsheaf, the league's joke team, they lost their last match 54-0 to win against the awe-inspiring Cobblers, the best side in Yorkshire.

The Wheatsheaf layabouts cannot even muster a full side. The laughable few who turn up to play are proud of their unbroken record of defeat, and live for their gossip over the beer-cans afterwards.

Somewhat Arthur bribes and cajoles them into a gymnasium run by a pretty girl, and she shames them into tackling her training torture machines, which push them to the limit of the pain barrier.

One takes a sadistic pleasure in watching the war of the Incredible Hulk warlike at exercises you know would kill you. But I confess I found their hearty banter less rewarding, while the cloth-eared Shakespearian commentary suggested no loving acquaintance with the poet.

But Mr Godber, and the hard-worked and splendid Hull Truck company, finally redeem all with their staging of the fatal game. Six artists play both Wheatsheaf and their formidable opponents—bad-tempered zombies breathing fire and with shoulders like twin dustbins.

Ballet, slow motion and man-to-man tackling all contribute to this hilarious finale. Peter Geeves's agonised Arthur and Richard Ridings's massive butcher-player are outstanding, and there is a nice contribution from Jane Clifford as the gymnast who at the end dons the team's jersey and shorts and rushes in to where the fighting is fiercest.

John Barber

Gogol 'improved'

HERE WE go again. Has any other classic been so subject to updating or resisted the efforts so doggedly as Gogol's "The Government Inspector"?

Under the title of "Don't Touch Him He Might Resent It," it now falls—at the charming Little Chipping Norton Theatre—into the Yorkshire hands of Henry Livings, once a white hope, or rose, of the Royal Shakespeare Company but too cosy in his north country humour to rise, as promised, above music hall conviviality.

It chances, however, that his talent suits admirably this song country playhouse where the back looks like a typical Cotswold pub and the auditorium once a Salvation Army citadel, has a sing-song feeling to it.

And Gogol? Well this version with songs sets the provincial grafters and cheats and money grabbers and social climbers in a Leeds hotel supervised by a black-coated, Trust House under manager (Joseph Lloyd Callaghan) and patronised by Poulson-type prospectors deep in strap metal intrigues, false tenders and bribery.

The songs (by Derek Broad-

bent) interrupt interestingly the anxieties of these lounchee-crooks about the identity of the uppish young visitor and his comically hungry girlfriend. Is he the whitehall emissary rumoured as being on a secret mission to expose them all?

Mr Livings knows his types and when the blowsy wife and randy daughter of one of them turn up in the second half we welcomed the break from the monetary obsessions. Gogol's gallery of people was far richer and haunted by fears beyond Mr Livings's range. But if the jokes are obvious and restricted to the Yorkshire parlour and parlance, Murray Melvin's production is nicely sceptical of all motives, and when the show gets into its touring stride, mainly one night stands, the simple merit should move me swiftly.

David Acton, Isabel Lansdale and Stuart Warren with Mr Colman provide a strange, ramshackle, overlong example of the British not getting the better of Gogol in the end—simply because he wrote a better show with far more interesting characters.

Eric Shorter

MUSIC / Panufnik, LSO

TO MARK his 70th birthday, Andrzej Panufnik conducted two of his own major works at a Barbican concert on Monday night, given by the London Symphony Orchestra. In between, members of the orchestra played two of Bach's Brandenburg Concertos—fast and, in the main reliably, but with only sporadic stylistic distinction.

But the performances of the two Panufnik works were rather more rewarding and were specially significant in that each work has varying degrees been revised over the years and was here receiving its first public performance in its most recent manifestation.

For some while, the Piano Concerto, originally conceived in the early 1960s, was stripped of its first movement because Panufnik felt that it did not sufficiently complement the other two. A new movement was composed a couple of years ago, and it was this version,

first heard in the BBC studios at Maida Vale last year, that the LSO gave last night.

The new movement, "Entrata" is just as its title implies, a bold arresting introduction in which a motive mooted at the beginning, spins the piano towards a keyboard-covering flourish and which in turn sparks off a movement of buoyant rhythmicity and demonstrative gestures.

The core of the concerto remains its serene central movement, with a finale, brilliantly interpreted by Alberto Pertuchels, dominated by potent, virile activity and intense, agitated vitality.

The concerto was combined in this concert with the new somewhat tighter version of the "Sinfonia Votiva," in which Panufnik's aching, pleading response to the Polish crisis of the early 1980s now seems to be crystallised with even greater potency.

Geoffrey Norris

Allegri String Quartet

WE ARE in a period of anniversaries celebrated by well-known chamber music groups. 20 years for the Nash Ensemble on Saturday and on Monday night it was the turn of the Allegri String Quartet (Peter Carter, David Roth, Keith Lovell and Bruno Schrecker) to complete its span of 30 years at the Queen Elizabeth Hall. It was fitting that one of the original members, the violinist Patrick Ireland, should join it on this auspicious occasion in string quintets by Mozart and Brahms.

The players excelled themselves in the rich corporate sound of Brahms's G major, Op. 111, bringing a spontaneous vigour to the long first movement and pacing the episodes of the music with a high degree of accomplishment. In the Adagio the fabric was gently woven, the well sustained sup-

port of the violas giving it an almost orchestral texture.

The team did not quite achieve the gracefulness inherent in the first movement of Mozart's C minor, K.468, for the leader used a somewhat brusque manner in developing the rhythmic changes of one of the composer's most elaborately devised scores. The canonic Minuet, on the other hand, was all elegance.

A happy atmosphere imbued Haydn's String Quartet in D major, Op. 76, No. 5, the simple romanticism of the three quick movements drawing a sunny tone from the players while the famous Largo in F sharp major had a dreamlike serenity.

David Money

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SHOULD TEARS FROM A MAN STILL STARTLE US TODAY?

EVERYONE knows that Charles Kingsley's dictum about men working and women weeping is ludicrously out-of-date. Of course women work—but men weeping?

A slight hesitation in the throat is usually the height of expressed emotion for the public man. It was startling to see the Australian Prime Minister giving a television interview with tears washing his cheeks. The last time I remember seeing real male tears on the television was in a re-shown interview with the writer Robin Douglas Home; as the frame flicked off the black words followed: "Poor Robin, he was dead a year later."

But I did not feel that Bob Hawke was suicidal: rather humiliated, helpless—and stricken over one of his daughter's addiction to heroin. Mrs Hawke has since revealed that their daughter Rosslyn has a shortened life expectancy because of the addiction.

Some people always cry: babies who are rewarded for it, especially in the daylight hours. Children, as they grow older, get less and less reward for tears: particularly if they

By psychiatrist
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are boys, go to a traditional school, or attract the notice of their robust peers.

Some children, the youngest or those who are for some other reason extra close to mother and "protected" from the rough elements, may learn for longer that crying is a useful ploy.

The very old may respond to trivia—an appealing picture in a newspaper—with uncontrollable tears. Similarly, those whose brain function is affected by excess alcohol or so-called minor tranquillizers may weep freely and copiously, with a degree of self-indulgence that drips up pity.

Among adults, women weep more easily than men and among men, homosexuals more than straight. If you look at a photograph—not of an actress with glyceric tears, but of someone

crying in genuine distress, it is difficult, out of context, to be sure whether the expression portrays grief or anger. The two emotions are linked.

The deserted wife: "How could the swine do this to me?"—or Bob Hawke, wet with tears also, slamming into his critic for "getting down into the sewer of politics." The masculine stereotype reaction to an insult, a punch on the nose, is apt to be ineffectual if tried by a woman; and wordy arguments may also be lost.

Weeping is a powerful weapon, putting a stop to rational discussion and inducing embarrassment, guilt and even capitulation in the opponent. When bribery and verbal appeals had failed to get any result, an unexpected flood of tears persuaded my removal men to unload the furniture before going off to their football match. If only I could do it to order...

In the most severe depression, meriting diagnosis as an illness, tears will not come. The victim is despairing and dry-eyed. Feelings and hope are dead and there seems no purpose

in eating, washing, living. Such an illness requires urgent treatment.

Any of us who has suffered a grievous loss of someone loved and needed, or of one's own self-worth, may taste this agonising paralysis of emotion. In such a situation it is a first step towards coming to terms if the sufferer can weep, cry out. If a friend of either sex is in the frozen state, help him to break down into tears. It is cruel to say "Please don't cry" and try to distract him from his sorrow.

Of course this should not be allowed to go on for months. It then becomes what C. S. Lewis described in himself as the "bath of self-pity, the willow, the leafy sickly-sweet pleasure of indulging."

As a rule, adult tears should be shed in the company of those who care, not displayed to the media millions or to manipulators. The exceptions are, perhaps, those pathetic appeals for help about missing children; yet Colonel H's widow and the parents of policeman Fletcher engaged our sympathy with dried-eyed dignity.

● BELOW: Big-cut belted wool overcoat in brown and cream herringbone tweed, £269, tie-neck striped batwing sweater in brown and cream, £47, classic camel wool trousers, £45, all from Aquascutum, Regent Street, London, W.1.

● RIGHT: Loose three-quarter length wool jacket in jade and black dog's-tooth check, £44.99, black textured tweed straight skirt from a suit, £92, jade rib sweater, £21.99, belt, £5.99, chiffon scarf, £2.99, all from Warehouse branches.

● BELOW: Tweed stripe collarless cardigan jacket in black and white wool tweed, with toning long slim skirt, £149, loose-collared off-white wool challis shirt with faggotted front, £47, black silk tie and beret from a selection, all at Jaeger branches.

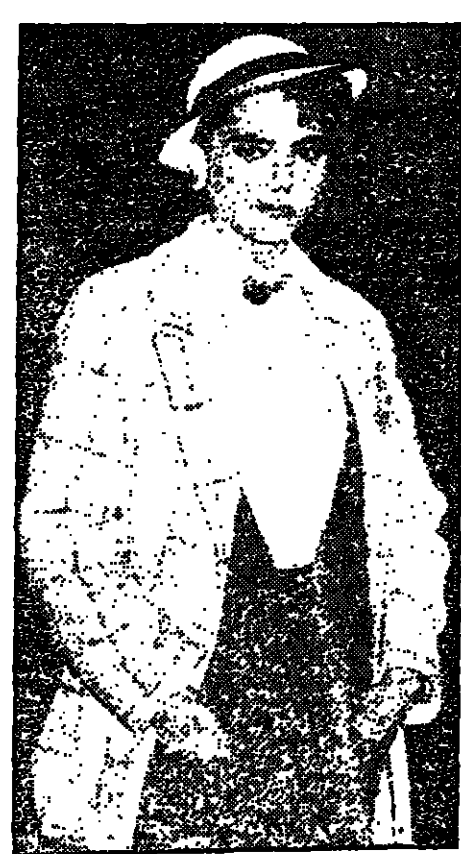
All earrings from Butler and Wilson, Fulham Road, London, SW3.

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BRITISH CHIC THAT'S BRINGING US DOLLARS

●RIGHT Columnar wool coat in cream with grey and brown window-pane checks, £215, long vicuna cashmere double-breasted cardigan, £125, small-collared wool shirt, £49, grey flannel trousers, £53, all from Jaeger branches, brooch from Liberty, London, W.1, hat by Bermona from John Lewis of Oxford St., London, W.1.



THE current low dollar - pound exchange rate may have stopped the lemming rush of tourists to the United States but it has not stopped us exporting our goods there. Quite the reverse: Americans have discovered that buying British is cheap, or cheaper than it was some years ago when the exchange rate worked in our favour.

Add to this what the Americans have always seen as the quality and tradition in our merchandise, particularly in fashion, and their interest in our young innovators as powerhouses of design, and you have the reasons for the present British fashion takeover of America.

The rash of new British openings in the States is just coming to a head, with everyone from youth-orientated Warehouse to traditional Burberry getting in on the action.

In some cases, it is a matter of expanding an already well-established foothold—for instance, Jaeger, already with 33 stores in America, on Friday opens a huge new flagship store on Madison Avenue, New York, while Burberrys, with seven well-established American stores, is opening next

month in Washington and Philadelphia.

For others it is a completely new venture: Aquascutum is already known there through its wholesaling operation, but in mid-October it opens its own comprehensive Fifth Avenue store, which will include examples from its whole wide range, such as separates, knitwear and accessories as well as the traditional raincoats.

Alexon, with its newly-updated fashion image, is also making inroads on the American market, interest-

ingly taking its very English image to the West Coast as a starting point, with two concessions in Bullocks Wilshire stores in the Los Angeles area opened this month.

Not surprisingly, Warehouse is making the most unusual move of all—with backing from an ex-Macy's man who left the store to

devote himself entirely to Warehouse after finding there wasn't room to display the range properly in a mere department. It has just opened in a shopping mall a few miles from New York.

The logic behind it was explained by Jeff Banks, the firm's design brain. "We were advised that Manhattan is not representative of the States as a whole and Paramus Park, this particular mall, already has branches of Saks and Bloomingdales and tends to be used as a baro-

meter for the rest of the States."

The benefits to British firms of all this activity is the tremendous revenue from delighted Americans buying British at, on average, about 25 per cent. above prices here.

But there is a result of interest to the fashion-conscious British too. No-one would argue that taste in America differs from that here. The shops sell a selection of the British range presented in a different, less cluttered way.

Most people involved would say that the American approach to fashion is less fussy and more sophisticated than ours, so we thought it would be interesting for stores involved to put together for our photographs a successful high-fashion American look—though all the clothes are, of course, available here.

As Margaret Newlands, who buys for Jaeger's American stores, explained: "The look is less

fashion, more chic. There is less concentration on the fad of the moment, more on buying one good designer item that can be mixed with cheaper things over several seasons.

"At present there is a tendency to the long, lean look and virtually no accessories at all.

"They love the British use of traditional, excellent fabrics like cashmere and our evening-wear range—white tuxedos, wide jersey pants—was designed with New York in mind."

Aquascutum feels its own shop will be the ideal opportunity to establish a far wider image; separates should play second fiddle to raincoats.

Burberry is this autumn re-launching its original raincoat design, the Tielocken, with its simple, wrap, non-buttoned front, high, dramatic collar, double-buckled belt and clever inside strap fastening.

Apart from being right

in current fashion mood, Burberry feels its history will be important for the American market, though it should be a success here too. It will cost £170.

Warehouse, as usual, takes a rather different approach. Jeff Banks expects, quite rightly, that Americans will be amazed by the value-for-money of coats in rich tweed from mills patronised by the world's great designers, and by inexpensive, innovative ideas for the young.

"We will appeal both to them and to the working woman, who can get high sophistication at low prices," he said.

Meanwhile, British women could do worse than follow the uncluttered New York line and, for a suitable setting, they could choose one of the many American-inspired restaurants springing up here, such as the Surprise, London, W.1, the background to our pictures.

BY AVRIL GROOM

PUTTING FRESH FLAVOURS ON ICE

Right: Donata Panciera, bringing the true flavour of Italian ice-cream to London. Picture by MICHAEL PATTISON.



DONATA PANCIERA is a typical, twinkling, voluble Italian woman of 35. Not so typical is the fact that, after 13 years she is still the only woman and the youngest councillor of the Italian Federation of Ice Cream Makers.

Such a position may sound ludicrous, if not irrelevant, to us, but in Italy it is a signal honour.

Apprenticed from the age of 15 to leading ice-cream makers, she has been managing her father's ice-cream business in Grado, near Venice, for the past 10 years.

Now she has come to London to give the British the benefit of the cream of Italian ices.

"My father have a very

By
Paula Davies

big personality," she told me in her endearingly broken English.

"So do me — so it is important for me to do well on my own." She lapsed back into voluble Italian translated for me by David Landau, the owner of GranGelato, where Donata will be making 100 litres of ice-cream in 30 different flavours every day.

"She felt the family business was not giving her sufficient scope for doing new things," said the one-time

cardiologist from Milan now an art historian in England.

Donata agreed, although she has been in Britain only a month. "Here is better than in Italy," she said. "It is freer for me. I would not come here to do anything banal."

Certainly the ice-creams are anything but. Although the usual flavours are around, they have a richness due to the use of the best ingredients. Then there are the more exotic varieties like kiwi or coconut, but they all have the stamp of the real thing.

"We use only milk, eggs, sugar, cream and fresh fruit—nothing else," Donata said, as though it would be tantamount to committing a grave sin to do otherwise.

A scoop in a corner of what-

ever flavour costs 40p, while there are special boxes to take away, said to keep the ice-cream frozen for about three hours. These start at £4.50 for three-quarters of a litre.

Thus you should have time to take it home for a party. Even better for such purposes would be the Torta Gelato, which is made up of a sponge, the choice of two or three flavours of ice-cream and the semi-freddo—a mix of fresh cream zabaglione and meringue.

Officially opened only last week, enthusiastic ice-cream buffs can visit GranGelato from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday to Saturday, at 7 to 9 Montpelier Street, London SW7.



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OLIVE BRANCH SEASON

THE PERFORMANCE of Mr Andrei GROMYKO, the Soviet Foreign Minister, in the United Nations when he pointedly sat on his hands and scowled at the end of President Reagan's speech, and some old familiar rhetoric coming out of Moscow, suggest that we are not about to see the dawning of a new era in relations between the United States and the Soviet Union. Yet Mr Reagan has done his bit. After choosing to stay aloof from cosying up to the Russians until this election year he is now offering the Kremlin new avenues for arms negotiations, and many more exchanges at all levels up to and including a summit with President Chernenko, or (as is looking more and more likely) whoever happens to be his successor. All this waving of the olive branch instead of backing the bear into a corner and poking him with a sharp stick, may be to some people too far a cry from Mr Reagan's "Evil Empire" speech and some of his wisecracks, as well as a lot of the oratory at Dallas, as to go beyond the bounds of credibility. But with typical forthrightness Mr Reagan says he has not changed his mind about the Russians — "I'm simply saying we've got to live in this world together."

What the Russians are up to will become a lot clearer over the next few days. Mr Gromyko has effectively climbed on the Reagan bandwagon and it may be that the Soviet leadership read the polls just like anyone else and thought it was worth trying to talk Mr Reagan into a negotiating course which would bear fruit over the next four years. It is certainly true that the Kremlin has been jolted by Mr Reagan's "America is back" policy of military strength plus political will, and it must be seriously concerned at being left well behind in an offensive-defensive arms race. There is not going to be any change in the Soviet hard-line policy to the West in the next few days. But the Gromyko-Reagan meeting does open up a window of opportunity, and the Kremlin knows it.

HOSTAGES TO FORTUNE

THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT, used to getting its own way inside and outside its borders, is responding with characteristic aggression to the presence of six fugitives in the British consulate in Durban. One sees its point of view. Like it or not, detention without trial is a firm favourite of the South African system, and in preserving the fugitives from that fate the British Government is frustrating the normal processes of law. On the other hand, these men, released by one court before the South African Government invoked another law, have something of the aura of prisoners of conscience about them. The harsh truth is that even in Downing Street South Africa is regarded as being a little below the water line. No one wishes to be seen throwing possibly innocent men to the doubtful mercy of such a régime.

Not surprisingly, the South African Government objects strongly to being treated in such a way. But it will not have enormously improved its image by breaking a pledge to send back four of its nationals to this country to answer charges of arms smuggling. This decision, it is reasonably pointed out, conveniently averts the prospect of South African dirty linen being washed in a British court. The South African Government can however go some way towards justifying it as a straightforward *quid pro quo*. If it now digs deeper into its by no means empty bag of dirty tricks it will merely confirm almost everyone's prejudices and, worse still, jeopardise such friendship as it has with Britain.

For Mr P. W. Botha and Mr P. K. Botha must face the fact that the world is not full of countries who boast openly of a profound and abiding love of their country. Possibly they do not mind this, but even South Africa cannot get on alone, and in this world there are a decreasing number of countries prepared to give her a hearing. If South Africa behaves like some shiftily and tub-thumping Third World country (of which there are one or two to her north) she will principally harm herself. Time will settle the problem of the fugitives, and patience is the key.

SCARE ME AGAIN, SAM

ANOTHER FILM about nuclear war and the end of the World: great slices of successive evenings are given over respectively to the destruction of Sheffield as a natural consequence of American involvement in the Middle East, and to the onset of "Nuclear Winter": these are topped up with a long, late special edition of Newsnight with the issues discussed by a panel and witnesses like a rather grand, if quite hypothetical, cosmic by-election. One notes all this fully aware that people who wish to agitate against nuclear defence of Britain have the right in a free country to do so through the media. Though it would be interesting to see a balancing view which talked through all the contingencies of an unharmed, unallied Britain under pressures from the East which are rather less hypothetical than this week's professional flesh-creeper. It is also perfectly possible that the British public will break the hearts of the agit-propers with that constructive apathy in the face of orchestrated panic which has disappointed other defeatists in the past. It is also true that the political motive is not quite pure. Even the most radical film maker has seen the "Towering Inferno" and knows what sort of box office the apocalyptic film can be. "Men from Mars" is a rough draft of "How America provoked World War."

Having said as much there is something oppressive about the quantity of panic-inducing material based upon flabby premises now being promoted at us. The late night discussion, which will have had only a fraction of the audience of the other two programmes, shot some interesting holes in the argument. The facility with which a limited military encounter spilled into limited nuclear war and then as a further stage into wider nuclear action, was found incredible by people like Dr BRACKEN who were engaged professionally on the study of nuclear contingency and escalation. However, away from the neckend of the evening, no one seems to be arguing with proper exposure the 35 year peace which has coincided with Soviet and American possession of these weapons, or the frailty of any medium-sized, unconqueringly armed State faced with a heavy neighbour wishing to exercise persuasion. In Bratislava and Cracow the viewers would not be impressed by "Threads". But then the Surrender Lobby needs only exert itself in countries where there is something to surrender.

JOHN BURTON on what would happen to the country if the NUM president's economic theories were applied to the rest of British industry.

Scargill's road to Carey Street

THE extensive and appalling violence against working miners and others that has occurred in Britain over the past six months has detracted—as its organisers perhaps intended—from consideration and understanding of the basic economic issues involved.

When he is not giving vent to Marxist gobbledygook, Mr Scargill in fact presents his position in economic terms. He claims that the partial strike that he has organised is necessary not only to preserve jobs in coal-mining but to create jobs and prosperity in the British economy generally. He has argued repeatedly that "we in Britain produce the cheapest deep-mined coal in the world." A special issue of the *Miner* (the journal of the NUM) in March, 1984, summarised the basic theme of his contentions: "Coal is more than just our future and the energy future of our country. THEY SHALL NOT DESTROY IT."

Is Mr Scargill correct in his economic assertions? What is the real content of "Scargillomics"?

It cannot be stated bluntly enough that basic market facts and undeniable economic logic are both quite contrary to the nostrums of Scargillomics. In Britain today the pit-head price of coal averages out at £46 per tonne. Prices for comparable deep-mined coal at the pit-head in the eastern United States are £25-£27. In New South Wales they are £18-£19; indeed some Australian pits are now producing coal at the pit-head at £9 per tonne. Moreover, in the United States, South Africa and Australia low-cost strip-mining techniques can be extensively employed whereas in Western Europe, including the United Kingdom, relatively labour-intensive, and high-cost deep mines are, for unalterable geological reasons, predominant.

These are basic facts of economic life. Many British coal-mines are simply chronically inefficient and loss-making. To protect the State coal industry from competition from cheaper energy sources, including imported coal, successive British Governments, including Mrs Thatcher's, have followed policies that have had negative effects on employment and prosperity in the rest of the British economy. To this end they have resorted to devices such as the regulation of coal imports, discriminatory taxation of fuels other than coal and massive subsidisation of the National Coal Board. In 1983-84 the NCB required what it coyly termed a "deficit grant requirement" (in straight terms, a loss to be imposed on the rest of the economy) of around £1 billion, and it also received other grants, including "social grants" taking the total to £1.3 billion. As a result of the strike this tax burden on the rest of the economy can only rise substantially.

Over the past decade billions

upon billions of pounds have been taken from the rest of the economy in order to maintain employment in a declining and generally uncompetitive industry. The individuals and enterprises damaged by the tax-fuelled bail-out of the coal industry had less to spend on the goods and services they would obviously prefer. The resulting higher taxes contributed to the blunting of incentives and inflation of costs that reduced demand for other products.

The use of governmental muscle, via import regulation and pressure on the electricity supply industry to buy high-priced NCB coal (a little-known but important scandal), raised the energy costs of British manufacturing industry. Without such a burden our manufacturers would have been more able to compete internationally, and manufacturing employment would have been higher, including manufacturing employment in such areas as South Wales, Yorkshire and Scotland. The National Coal Board has been a national economic albatross.

The extraordinarily detrimental character of the economic policies which Mr Scargill wishes to impose by force can best be understood by considering what would happen if his ideas were applied to all industries. We would inhabit an economy in which no loss-making organisations could be reduced in size or closed down. In effect the corporate bankruptcy laws would be in abeyance.

To cover the bad debts of loss-making enterprises—which occur in all industries—resources would have to be extracted by the State from profitable enterprises. Such a policy would make some previously viable organisations bankrupt. But, under a general scheme of Scargillomics, these newly created losers would themselves have to be supported by yet further burdens of taxation on the dwindling portion of cost-covering enterprises.

Some more of these would then be forced into loss—indeed, business organisations would soon catch on to the idea that it pays to make a loss. Sooner or later, all enterprises in Britain would be competing to make the largest losses. Genuinely profitable economic activity—producing goods and services that people, here and overseas, are willing to pay for—would soon disappear.

It is simply not true, as Mr Scargill implies, that we can all get rich by making losses. It is clearly possible for some pettifogers, at least temporarily, provided that the State is willing to

prey upon the rest of the economy and to enforce transfers of resources to loss-making activities on grounds of the "public good" and/or "social justice."

The career of Mr John De Lorean in car manufacturing in Northern Ireland is a case in point. The loss-making activities of the NCB are another. It should not be forgotten that the miners are at the top of the voluntary redundancy payment terms on offer from the NCB, at the expense of the taxpayer, are lavish in comparison to those generally available in British industry. However, it is not possible for every enterprise in the United Kingdom to conduct its affairs in the manner that Mr Scargill insists on in the case of the NCB. Generally applied throughout industry, Scargillite philosophy would quickly lead to general impoverishment.

THE French and West German Governments have recently taken the decision to reduce drastically their inefficient and subsidised coal production. *Charbonnage de France*, the French State-owned coal group, announced in March that it was going to reduce its 51,000 workforce by over half—by 30,000—over the next five years. The West German Government insists that subsidies to the coal industry must be curtailed to free resources for the healthy part of the economy. Both Governments intend to import greatly increased quantities of low-cost coal available on the world markets in order to give their manufacturing industries the benefit of lower energy costs, and thus to aid the survival of manufacturing business and employment.

If the NCB and the Government gave in to Mr Scargill's demands then British industry will be saddled with a permanent régime of high coal and electricity costs—while competitors in France and West Germany are increasingly to benefit from the lower energy costs resulting from low-cost coal imports. The outlook for British manufacturing industry and employment could only worsen.

Further yielding to Mr Scargill's demands by the NCB—of which there has been far too much already—can only damage the general employment prospects of the British economy. Moreover, any concessions granted are liable to raise Mr Scargill's demands in the future.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE BELGRANO

SIR—Your leader "Raising Belgrano" (Sept. 20) rightly points out that the Government had a paramount duty to protect its forces in the South Atlantic.

Most certainly it is also true that the circumstances leading to the sinking of the General Belgrano inevitably resulted in the suppression of information where such information may have jeopardised the Task Force then or compromised national security thereafter.

Naturally, also, people will be suspicious when Government Ministers are obliged by such considerations to remain silent.

Can it be a good thing, however, for the nation if such information as has subsequently been forthcoming on the affair has been so (and presumably) therefore, not damaging to national security? Because of the persistent questioning by Mr Tom Dalrymple, especially when this questioning is based on what he has been told by a civil servant whose duty and loyalty to his employers has come into conflict with his duty to his conscience?

Questions will continue to be asked and remain unanswered. But so also will the leaks continue resulting in re-examination, allegations, counter-allegations, reputation and denial, until the Government needs Dr Owen's words: "The truth is not discernible; it simply needs to be told."

M. C. ELLIOTT-SMITH
Kenilworth, Middx.

Reactions in war

From Sir JOHN MALLABAR
SIR—I have been following the Belgrano story in the Press and in the emergency motion at the Liberal conference for some time. A large part of the criticism being levelled at the Government is based on the direction in which Belgrano was heading when torpedoed, and that she had changed course.

At Jutland Admiral Scheer realised he

was heading for disaster and ordered a 180 degree change of course to the High Seas Fleet in an attempt to reach his home port.

Had Admiral Jellicoe been indoctrinated with the Liberal conscience he ought to have refrained from any further attack on the German Fleet. Were they not retreating from battle and returning home?

In fact Jellicoe continued to attempt to find and sink German ships, even though, in part, frustrated by the difficulty of finding them. But is he to be censured for continuing his efforts to find and sink?

I wonder what would have been the reaction of the nation in 1916 had any attempt so to obscure him been made?

JOHN MALLABAR
London, S.W.1.

Rescue at sea

SIR—Miss Philippa Hadrell (Sept. 22) asks why our ships did not rescue the 300 or so survivors of the Argentine cruiser Belgrano.

The Belgrano was sunk by one of our submarines working independently; there was no Royal Navy surface or Merchant Navy vessel in the immediate vicinity at the time of the sinking.

The Belgrano, we were given to understand, was at the time of the sinking escorted by two enemy destroyers, one of both presumably carrying out the rescue procedure; in any event, they were not sunk by our submarine.

No doubt at the time of the attack the enemy cruiser and/or its escorts must have made immediate radio contact with the Argentine naval authorities. The incident occurred at a position which appears at most to be some 35 minutes flying time from enemy mainland air bases.

The sea chivalry has not passed, at least as far as the Royal Navy is concerned, and those of us who have served at sea in that Service will resent the inference it has.

GERALD L. M. McDONALD
Bishops Cleeve, Hereford.

Customer hardship

SIR—The decision by the Post Office to shut many of its sub-offices and some larger but older units is correct solely upon commercial grounds.

However, it ignores completely the fact that the Post Office has taken on the role of distributor of many benefits as agent for the Government, as such, its customers for postal services tend to be put into the background. This business may be good for the Post Office, but it overlooks the side effects upon those non benefit seekers whose time spent queuing would otherwise be more usefully employed upon their work. Perhaps this contributes to our poor grass national product.

In due course these numbers will be swelled by those driven from the defunct sub-offices, always assuming that they are able to make the journey. Has any thought really been given to these unfortunate groups—the elderly or mothers with young children—who with failing agility, eyesight or dexterity at handling prams in city centres are likely to suffer considerable personal hardship or even accident, which in turn will throw an increased burden upon welfare services in one form or another?

It is not the Post Office's responsibility to ensure that benefits are distributed other than to those who call at the counters, but it is the Government's job to take steps to prevent unnecessary suffering and hardship to those least able to fend for themselves.

CHARLES SIMMONS
Luton, Beds.

When war broke out

SIR—Documents in the BBC Written Archives Centre confirm that Mr Ray Smith's version of events on the radio on the morning of the day war broke out is the correct one (Sept. 15).

The BBC's programme for the morning of Sept. 3, 1939, shows that the last record played before the Prime Minister's speech at 11.15 was indeed Sullivan's overture, "D. D. Ball." What appears to be confusing your other correspondents is that a selection from "Princess Ida" had been played earlier. It finished at approximately 10.40, some 35 minutes before Mr Chamberlain began speaking.

In the time between two Sullivan records there were two announcements about the Prime Minister's speech, two "Parry Jones" records and a short talk on making the most of tinned foods by Mrs Beaton (a pseudonym).

JEQUINE KAVANAGH
Written Archives Officer, BBC Reading.

A lesson learnt

SIR—I endorse Mr R. H. C. Stead's remarks on German re-unification (Sept. 21).

Successful German governments and the German people have worked hard to eradicate and rise above the stigma of Nazism. I am sure they would never again wish to resort to militarism. They have learned a harsh lesson which could shame half their country.

Splitting Germany, I have always thought, was one of the worst decisions the allies made.

Germany is an essential bastion of Western defence and has earned her place as a valued and respected member of Nato.

We should remember this and forgive and forget the past.

D. M. LING
London, N.12.

The preacher's views on current affairs

SIR—If clergy are able to air their personal views on politics from the pulpit, why should the congregation not have the right to reply? In which case, will we soon be having heckling in church during the sermon?

Surely it would be better to abolish sermons, so that we can go to church to worship and not have to listen to the preacher's views on current affairs.

B. MARDON
Cromwell, Somerset.

MacGregor for choice

SIR—in view of the recent remarks of the Bishop of Durham about industrial relations may I submit the name of Mr MacGregor as a candidate for membership of the General Synod?

A. W. JOHNSON
Plumtree, Middx.

The miners' affair

SIR—it is right that members of the Government should condemn the actions of the miners' union which is within the Church for their unqualified dalliance in the miners' affair which is not their concern.

Little wonder can be expressed at

Country torn apart

SIR—Thank God for the Bishop of Durham! He is a realist; he sees what this Government is leading us into. He is right when he says that nobody must be defeated or we are all lost.

We cannot live peacefully in a country torn apart, one half in poverty-ridden hate and the other half prosperous. Christian, brought up in Methodism, so as the one taught me by my grandfather, a miner. His was one of compassion for mankind.

(Mrs) M. FUGILL
Barnchurch, Kent.

Breakdown in a leaking system

NO ONE was quicker off the mark to denounce the Government following a "leak" showing it had deprived four Labour councils of £50 million in housing aid than one of the Commons' more prominent self-publicists, Greville Janner, the MP for Leicester West.

The leaked document showed his city as being one of the councils deprived of funds and Janner lost no time in calling for the sacking of the Ministers. "This is Government crime on a vast scale. The leaker deserves a medal," he exclaimed.

Alas, no one had told him that when the leaker repented the internal memorandum so that it could not be traced, Leicester had been inadvertently inserted instead of Lewisham.

When I broke the news to Janner, he was quick on his feet: "Um, if that is true the whole system is even more corrupt than I thought," he told me. "I was in touch with the personal assistants of the Ministers and they would make no comment to me. Even if Leicester isn't included, there has been a top-level bung."

Up in the world

THE TORY PARTY, with considerable guile, will today introduce the new draft of the Conservative Trade Unionists' organisation, the Tory Peet, a leading light in the Colliery Officials and Staff Association, the (often scruffy) "white collar" section of Arthur Scargill's NUM.

Peet will succeed Margaret Daly who has become a Tory Euro-MP for Somerset and Dorset West and he will take up his new, full-time post at Smith Square next week. It will be a remarkable elevation for only last week he was working as a shift engineer, mostly below ground, at the Golborne pit in Lancashire.

Whether Arthur Scargill will accept this or not, Peet assures me that he got the job after applying to nationally circulated advertisements, and not because of the present dispute. Certainly his credentials are excellent: twice a Tory General Election candidate, a Tory councillor, a former chairman of Wigan Conservative Association.

"My first job," he confided yesterday, "is to convince moderates to attend union meetings. And I want to remind people that Scargill was elected last president after a secret ballot."

High flyer

SQUADRON LEADER Bill Houldsworth, the RAF's oldest active pilot, will be taking off on his last flight before retirement this morning when he flies a wartime Lancaster from Northolt to its base at Coningsby in Lincolnshire.

Houldsworth, who is retiring in December at the age of 60 after more than 41 years' service, has been with the RAF's Battle of Britain Memorial Flight for the past eight years, flying planes like the Lancaster at

air shows and displays. During his service, which started as a wireless operator and air gunner in 1943, Houldsworth, a pilot since 1951, was decorated three times.

In the course of his career he has flown 17 different types of aircraft from Tiger Moths to B7s, but only this summer broke the sound barrier for the first time. He was given a 90-minute flight in a Phantom stationed at Coningsby with the Operations Conversion Unit. The trip trebled the amount of flying time he had spent in a jet.

Root of all evil

TO ACCOMPANY its campaign for young savers, the Midland Bank has launched a magazine called "Griffin". It includes a section for children to supplement their income in various ways.

They say charity begins at home, so, it advises, why not offer to help around the house and demand payment for your work?

"Go shopping, do the washing up, scrub floors, weed the garden... there are plenty of jobs that adults cannot be bothered to do. But make sure that they agree to your terms first—you don't want to slave over a greasy pile of saucers all afternoon only for them to say: 'Thank you, how kind'. That's no kind of deal."

Financially hard-pressed parents will no doubt agree that the Midland should stick to listening.

Vindicating those who believe passenger aircraft are far too big, a

new York-bound Pan Am 747 from Heathrow the other day to announce: "We have a lost child. Could his parents please come forward."

Brandy snapped

TWENTY-EIGHT bottles of vintage Armagnac brandy—some of it distilled in the summer of 1944 as an Allied army, swept through France—is being auctioned at Sotheby's today.

The brandy has been maturing in oak casks at the Chateau de Maillet and was only recently bottled. The four bottles of the 1944 vintage are expected to fetch £100 each from bidders liking the idea of the 40th anniversary of D-Day, but I understand connoisseurs may prefer to go for four bottles of the 1951 vintage, which was a rather better year.

Princely prediction

LONG ADMIRER for the accuracy of his forecasts in the early post-war years about space travel, Arthur C. Clarke, doyen of science-fiction writers, was actually asked some 30 years ago in predicting the name of our new prince—a feat not matched by the pundits or bookmakers.

In his 1955 short story "Refugee,"

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"So that's what's meant by the strike weapon!"

Clarke mused on a time, apparently at the end of this century, when the prince who makes his escape from Mars would discover a royal stow-away—the young Prince Henry.

Admittedly he erred in stating that the prince who makes his escape from official duties to see the Cosmos at first hand would be heir to the throne. But given the period in which the tale was set, the young man would have to be the son of Prince Charles.

Cheque-out Gatsby

DAVID SAINSBURY, finance director of the family retail group and last year's leader of the national maintenance income table with £4,700, has been handing out his money in no small measure.

An "almost anonymous" donation totalling £500,000 has just arrived at Liverpool's 88-year-old School of Tropical Medicine, in the name of the Gatsby Trust. This, I can disclose, is David Sainsbury's own charitable fund, set up 17 years ago. Its largest gift to date was £1.25 million to the London Business School.

The 45-year-old Sainsbury is prominently quoted in "The Winning Streak," a book out today from Weidenfeld in which 26 top British companies "reveal their formulas for success." His private donation to the Liverpool school, the first of its kind in the world and now suffering from cuts in health expenditure, seems to guarantee the success of its £1 million endowment appeal, launched two years ago.

The buck stops there

ACCORDING to the Camerchura Advertiser, the problem of rabbits damaging local sports club's cricket pitch has recently been raised at a meeting of the council's amenities committee. The Advertiser report continued:

"Burrow engineer Richard Mockridge, not councilors, maintained the sports field was handicapped by the large number of rabbits in that area."

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1846 sailors in Arctic graves like wax models

By ERIC DOWD in Toronto

SCIENTISTS investigating the mystery of the Franklin Expedition, which disappeared with the loss of 129 lives while seeking the fabled North-West Passage, have found the bodies of two men perfectly preserved after 138 years in the Canadian Arctic.

The bodies of a petty officer and able seaman, both British, were buried five feet deep in Beechy Island, in ground which is permanently frozen.

16-YEAR-OLD RECEIVES NEW HEART

By JOHN SHAW

A SCHOOLBOY taken ill with a heart complaint only a month ago has received a new heart in a six-hour operation at Papworth Hospital, near Cambridge.

Vincent Hill, 16, of Banstead Road, Carshalton, Beeches, South London, was "stable and satisfactory" last night.

Meanwhile, his family paid tribute to the prompt medical attention he received since suddenly falling ill while on a summer holiday in Canada.

Mr John Lyons, his stepfather, said: "Vincent fell ill without warning, suffering from an infection that attacked his heart."

Polo player

"He arrived back in this country at the beginning of the month and went straight into hospital, from where he was referred to Papworth."

"Vincent is one of 880 pupils at the Whitgift School, Croydon (fees £895 a term). He was in the fifth form, a member of the school water-polo team and a good squash player. He had just received outstanding results in GCE O-level examinations."

He is the second 16 year old to have a new heart at the hospital, and the 88th person to undergo transplant surgery in the current programme at Papworth.

TWO ESTONIANS ESCAPE

By Our Stockholm Correspondent

Two Estonian fishermen, jumped off a Soviet ship in western Sweden last week and made their way to Stockholm to ask for political asylum.

The two men, neither of whom speaks any language other than Estonian, escaped when the vessel was loading Swedish herring in Thon island, north of Gothenburg.

There was evidence from the skeletal remains that scurvy may have caused death, and the autopsy may also indicate whether lead was a contributing factor.

The Franklin expedition took a huge stock of canned food — the first exploration expedition to use cans — which was sealed with lead solvent.

Tufty in red wine goes down a treat

TIMES are hard for Tufty Flufftail. Not only does Lambeth Council think he's racist and sexist, but it transpired yesterday that he tastes delicious in a pie.

The Forestry Commission, undeterred by uproar over its plan to serve squirrels for lunch to conservationists at Rhonda plantation near Neath, called an ex-squidkeeper Lionel Kelleway to prove how succulent it can be.

"These things are pests, which is why they are shot. Once they are dead you might as well eat them," he said flatly. "Squirrel pie is a real delicacy, and if enough people could try it I'm sure it would catch on. It's very popular in parts of America. The meat is tender and has a flavour all its own."

Guests who sampled his pie — made from half-a-dozen plump grey squirrels shot by air-culling programme in the rangers as part of their reforestation — likened the flavour to rabbit.

Another squirrel — stuffed — was on display next to a length of stripped tree bark to show the damage the creatures cause.

The Forestry Commission chairman, Sir David Montgomery, said unashamedly that the best place for a grey squirrel is in a pot.

If the flavour caught on, the commission might even consider selling squirrels killed in the culling season.

Mr Kelleway's recipe: Serve one squirrel per person. Skin, gut and quarter as for a rabbit. Fry with butter, herbs and seasoning plus a little bacon fat. Place in pressure cooker with red wine, meat stock, lemon juice and nutmeg. Cool and bone. Fry finely chopped onions, green and red peppers in butter until golden and soft. Add boiled pearl barley, combine all ingredients. Prepare a savoury suet crust pastry, place squirrel mixture inside, pour beaten egg on top, bake for 40 minutes.

BESSY BENDS FRYING PAN ON BURGLAR'S HEAD

A pensioner who caught a burglar in her lavatory early yesterday, smashed him over the head with her frying pan.

"I wanted to bash the living daylights out of him," said Mrs Bessy Mertens, 64, a divorcee, of Moore Avenue, Bournemouth.

The thief eventually managed to get away, minus his pullover, grabbed by Mrs Mertens as he climbed over a fence. In the struggle the burglar also lost a shoe, his socks, and the hem of his trousers on a window catch.

Mrs Mertens said she was upset about her frying pan. "I bent it so badly on the man, I'm afraid I won't be able to use it again." Later, a man appeared at Bournemouth court.



Excited Canadian children greeting the Queen when she arrived in Moncton, New Brunswick.

Canada congratulates Royal grandparents

By ALAN COPPS in Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada

THE Queen and Prince Philip were congratulated from the pulpit on becoming grandparents again when they went to morning prayer yesterday in the leafy loyalist town of Fredericton, New Brunswick.

The Queen wore a brilliant pink outfit with a white hat on another sunny day as they visited the handsome wooden - built provincial capital in its parkland setting.

A series of engagements there included augmenting the New Brunswick coat of arms to mark the province's bicentenary, and attending a picnic with hundreds of children.

At the service in the Gothic Christ Church Cathedral, with its slender spire rising through the trees beside the wide Saint John river, Prince Philip read the second lesson: the parable of the sower, from St Matthew.

Loyalist stronghold

Then before beginning his sermon on the same theme, the Most Rev. Harold Nutter, Archbishop of Fredericton, said of the Royal couple: "I may also say as a grandparent, and we have many grandparents in this congregation, how much we rejoice in the birth of their new grandson."

Mr Victor Chapman, Press secretary, asked about reports that Prince Philip has not seen his grandson Prince Henry before leaving England, said the

JAILED FINANCIER 'ON LOAN'

By LESLIE CHILDE in Rome

THE jailed Sicilian financier Michele Sindona, 64, was sent back to Italy "on loan" from the United States yesterday to face serious charges.

The former top financial adviser to the Vatican was taken to a maximum security prison after touch-down at Milan. It is likely to be several months before he faces trial in Italy on a long list of charges ranging from ordering a murder to fraud.

In America Sindona is serving a 25-year sentence imposed four years ago for conspiracy and fraud. The charges stemmed from the collapse of the Franklin National Bank in the early 1970s.

New treaty

The temporary extradition of Sindona, who was a member of the now outlawed "Propaganda Two" secret masonic lodge, resulted from a treaty between Italy and America that received final clearance only a few days ago.

Sindona is to be held in Italy until tried. Then he will either be sent back to the United States or ordered to remain in jail in Italy. If he remained in Italy, he would have to complete there his entire sentence.

One of his former business associates was Roberto Calvi, head of the old "Banca Ambrosiano", who was found dead when his BMW bicycle was in a crash with a car.

Plan to jam police radios during 'Stop City' demo

By JOHN WEEKS Crime Staff

PLANS to jam police, fire brigade and ambulance emergency radio frequencies during a demonstration in the City tomorrow, were being studied by detectives last night.

City police were taking preventive action after being handed a blueprint of the jamming device by THE DAILY TELEGRAPH.

An engineer who was shown a copy of the blueprint said: "It could be made for less than £5 and would be very effective indeed at close range."

If there were enough of them, it could cause the police all sorts of problems with their communications.

Police experts, with the help of Post Office engineers, were building their own prototypes from the blueprint at a radio workshop in Denmark Hill, South London, to test the effectiveness of the jammer and the best method of countering it.

Demonstrators plan to use the device tomorrow in a "Stop the City" protest, which is held annually by a variety of groups, including animal rights and capitalist, punks and anarchists.

Windows 'smashed'

In the last demonstration, in September last year, City police arrested 203 people. The windows of banks were smashed and police used horses to clear a blockade of the Stock Exchange and move on demonstrators outside the Bank of England.

A copy of the blueprint reached THE DAILY TELEGRAPH through one of the demonstrators.

In an accompanying anonymous letter, the demonstrator wrote: "It is tragic the way that decent honest people using their right to voice their opinions in a lawful manner can be overshadowed by such extremist activities, of which the radio jammer is only one. I write to you in the hope that you can warn people of what is happening."

BMX COLLISION WOMAN DIES

A woman has died after being hit by a 15-year-old BMX cyclist. Mrs Nancy Armstrong, 65, of St Mary's Road, Paversham, Kent, was struck by the cycle while she was walking.

Kidney transplant

Two young men have been given kidney transplants with organs donated by Lloyd Auker, 10, of King's Lynn, who died when his BMW bicycle was in a crash with a car.

KIDNAP BILL FOR CONGRESS

By Our Washington Staff

Legislation that would enable American agents to kidnap foreign terrorists for prosecution in the United States was introduced in Congress yesterday by Senator Arlen Specter. He said the Bill was prompted by the bombing of the American Embassy in Beirut last week.

This move came as other Democratic activists, President Reagan of making light of the incident by comparing the unfinished security barriers at the Embassy to the problems of having a kitchen remodelled.

Mr Thomas "Tip" O'Neill, House Speaker, called the remark "ridiculous."

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BRITISH FUNDS

Stock	Price	Change
British Fund for Africa	100.00	0.00
British Fund for India	100.00	0.00
British Fund for Japan	100.00	0.00
British Fund for Latin America	100.00	0.00
British Fund for Middle East	100.00	0.00
British Fund for North America	100.00	0.00
British Fund for South America	100.00	0.00
British Fund for Europe	100.00	0.00
British Fund for Asia	100.00	0.00
British Fund for Australasia	100.00	0.00
British Fund for Africa	100.00	0.00
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British Fund for Australasia	100.00	0.00

COMMONWEALTH & AFRICAN STOCKS

Stock	Price	Change
Commonwealth Bank	100.00	0.00
African Bank	100.00	0.00
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FOREIGN STOCKS

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BANKS, DISCOUNT, HP

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Discount	100.00	0.00
HP	100.00	0.00
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BUILDINGS & ROADS

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INITIAL weakness in sterling

made for a cautious opening in London stock markets yesterday, with the industrial sections taking their cue from government securities, which started the session with falls extending to around 2½p. However, the tone subsequently took a turn for the better, partly on hopes of a resumption of talks in the miners' dispute, and the overall sensitivity of the market related to the continuing stock shortage situation was reflected in generally higher closing prices.

The day's main features were usually the result of company news items, but blue chips put up a fairly satisfactory performance in the wake of some solid investment support. The "30" share index ended the day with a gain of 6 p, but the more widely-based "100," which was 5½ lower just before 10 a.m., was still 0.9 easier on balance at 1,212.2.

Imperial Chemical Industries, were prominent among the leaders and ended 6 higher at 650p after a new peak of 652½. Also well to the fore, Hawker Siddeley closed 15 to the good at 449p, while Unilever advanced 10p to 660p and GKN to 182p. British Overseas Airways, where speculators were still talking about a possible takeover offer from GEC, gained 7 to 355p; GEC themselves hardened 4p to 225p.

Dollar earnings considerations continued to direct interest in Jaguar, 4 better at 192p. Atwoods were suspended at 84p pending an announcement concerning a new United States acquisition. Telefunken improved to 410p on the company's plans for a 300-strong retail electrical chain.

Two newcomers to the unlisted securities market attracted a fair amount of attention. Comprehensive Financial Services, placed at 85p, ended at 87p, while Trade Promotions Services touched 81p before closing at 79p compared with the placing price of 75p.

Some disappointment was at the trade figures, announced at the official close, but some jobbers on the defensive, but late business was mainly on the part of buyers and the final tone was quite confident.

There was a new flurry of

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

Stock	Price	Change
Chemical	100.00	0.00
Plastic	100.00	0.00
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DRAPERY & STORES

Stock	Price	Change
Drapery	100.00	0.00
Store	100.00	0.00
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ELECTRICAL & RADIO

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FOOD & CATERING

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Catering	100.00	0.00
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INVESTMENT TRUSTS

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MOTORS & AIRCRAFT

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OIL SHARES

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TOBACCO

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SHIPPING

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TEXTILES

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RIGHTS ISSUES

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RECENT ISSUES

Stock	Price	Change
Recent	100.00	0.00
Issue	100.00	0.00
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Issue	100.00	0.00

TOURIST RATES

Country	Rate
Australia	100.00
Canada	100.00
France	100.00
Germany	100.00
Italy	100.00
Japan	100.00
Norway	100.00
Sweden	100.00
Switzerland	100.00
United States	100.00
Australia	100.00
Canada	100.00
France	100.00
Germany	100.00
Italy	100.00
Japan	100.00
Norway	100.00
Sweden	100.00
Switzerland	100.00
United States	100.00

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

Contract	Price	Change
Gold	100.00	0.00
Oil	100.00	0.00
Gold	100.00	0.00
Oil	100.00	0.00
Gold	100.00	0.00
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LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

Option	Price	Change
Call	100.00	0.00
Put	100.00	0.00
Call	100.00	0.00
Put	100.00	0.00
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COMPANIES

Record £11m by Utd Newspapers

A LARGE contribution from the American businesses together with the effects of a strong dollar lifted opening half pre-tax profits from United Newspapers from £4.5m to a record £11.5m. This easily tops 1983's full year peak of £8.8m pre-tax.

Furthermore, below the line there is an extraordinary credit of £3.0m (debit £36,000) being the proceeds from the sale of part of the group's holding in Reuters.

In America, there was a first-time contribution from Gralla Publications and Mediawire Corporation.

In Britain, newspaper advertising volumes were up and the magazine division performed well.

With earnings up from 12.7p to 16.7p the interim dividend is being raised by 10 p.p. from 5p to 5.5p on Nov 2.

Combined Eng Stores

WITH OPENING half pre-tax profits up from £245,000 to £2.2m, Combined English Stores is lifting the interim dividend by 10 p.p. to 1.45p (1.45p) on Nov 21.

Results reflect not only the benefit of the sale of Fenelon and the 100 p.c. ownership of Siba for part of the period, but also continuing progress in the main companies.

The balance sheet, meanwhile, has been substantially strengthened and net borrowings reduced by £5.7m compared with a year ago.

Falcon Industries

THE substantial increase in profits achieved by Falcon Industries in 1983 was maintained in the first half of 1984 with pre-tax profits for the period ahead from £23,000 to £60,000. However, this building construction and tool manufacturing group is keeping the interim dividend at 1p on November 2.

Certain reorganisation costs, the board explains, will be incurred in the second half relative to the various acquisitions made and any decision to increase the total payment is deferred until the year-end.

Full-year results should be satisfactory.

Logica

LOGICA, the computer software company whose profits rose from £1.0m to £1.2m in the opening half, went on to make a further £3.4m in the second half to lift the year pre-tax outcome from £7.5m to £2.2m.

Turnover increased from £44.4m to £72.5m and with high sales activity in all sectors the board says growth prospects continue to be excellent. The current backlog is at record level.

Octopus

A SUBSTANTIAL increase in profits is recorded by Paul Hamlyn's Octopus Publishing Group in the half-year ended June 30. The pre-tax figure is ahead from £2.4m to £3.4m, and from earnings of 20.5p (12.5p) the interim dividend is going up from 5p to 5.5p on Oct 31.

Liquidity was strong in the period and enabled the group to achieve improved income from the investment of surplus funds to a spread of currencies.

The pattern of trading requires a higher level of working capital in the second half. Mr Hamlyn remains confident of a successful outcome this year—£8.3m last time.

Park Place

LOSSES sustained by Key Holdings in the provision of youth training schemes for the Government has meant that full year pre-tax profits from Park Place Investments slumped from £1.35m to £746,000. The board says remedial action has been taken and the outlook for the current year is more pleasing.

Below the line extraordinary debits £300,000 (nil) relates largely to a provision for deferred tax.

There is a final dividend of 12.7p (12.7p) on Nov 14 (adjusted) total earnings came out at 5.1p (8.9p).

Sunlight Service

OPENING half pre-tax profits from Sunlight Service Group, the laundry and dry cleaning company, are up from £1.1m to a peak of £1.25m on turnover of £8.5m ahead at £3.9m (£3.9m).

The results, and the substantial progress made integrating the company's acquisitions, mean that the board is confident of achieving a satisfactory outcome for the year.

Last year the group made co-55m pre-tax profits, the laundry and dry cleaning company, progress has been made in restructuring the St George's business—purchased for £2.4m in February—and the board is confident that ongoing losses will have been eliminated by the year-end.

Below the line an extraordinary debit of £300,000 (£300,000) relates to reconstruction and closure costs.

There is an interim dividend of 1.35p (1.35p) on earnings of 5.86p (5.9p).

Wattmoughs

WATMOUGHS (Holdings), the colour printer and publisher, has lifted opening half pre-tax profits from £748,000 to £762,000 and with the year pre-tax outcome of £1.6m (1.6m) the board believes the group will show further progress.

In the closing months of 1983

the company made £1.35m pre-tax profit (1.35m) on turnover of £12.2m (£12.2m). Turnover was £2m ahead at £12.2m with all sectors of the company's business contributing to the advance.

Meanwhile, the interim dividend is being effectively raised to 1.7p (1.7p) from 1.45p (1.45p) on Nov 14. Net earnings were 7.11p (7.47p) restated.

William Morris

WILLIAM MORRIS Fine Arts, which came to the USM in April, has weighed in with first half pre-tax profits of £346,000 on turnover of £2.45m. There are no comparable figures.

Chairman Trevor Barker says that the first six months are traditionally the weaker half. The group is confident of a successful outcome this year—£8.3m last time.

IN BRIEF

Hoskins & Horton: First half pre-tax profit £27,000 (£27,000). Turnover £26.6m (£26.6m). Eps 14.1p (14.1p); interim dividend 5p (5p), payable Nov 7. Board expects continuing progress in the second half.

IDC Group: First half pre-tax profit £369,000 (£369,000). Turnover £25.7m (£25.7m). Eps 8.4p (8.4p); interim dividend 1.77p (1.77p), payable Nov 8. Material improvement in profits forecast in last annual report should be achieved and liquidity is good.

Aspro-Nicholas: Full year pre-tax profit £27.7m (£27.7m). Turnover £74.2m (£74.2m). Eps 10.6p (10.6p); interim dividend 2.4p (2.4p), payable Nov 30.

Dunelm Group: Full year pre-tax profit £108,000 (£108,000). Turnover £516,000 (£516,000). Eps 0.82p (0.82p); no dividend (same). Outlook for year remains encouraging.

Estates & General Investments: First half pre-tax profit £391,000 (£391,000). Turnover £21.8m (£21.8m). Eps 1.12p (1.12p); interim dividend 0.75p (0.75p), payable Nov 14.

Anstmark International: Full year pre-tax profit £47.4m (£47.4m). Turnover £1.2m (£1.2m). Eps 0.82p (0.82p); no dividend (same). Outlook for year remains encouraging.

Minhouse Holdings: First half pre-tax profit £20.1m (£20.1m). Turnover £20.1m (£20.1m). Eps 0.64p (0.64p); interim dividend 0.75p (0.75p), payable Nov 2. Board expects to maintain last year's dividend level—3p.

MONEY & EXCHANGES

Sterling down against dollar

STERLING fell against the dollar yesterday as the American currency struggled off the recent effect of massive German central bank intervention and staged a sharp rally across a broad front.

By the end of the day, the pound was 14 cents down at \$1.2335 against \$1.2460 overnight. But it held steady against other major currencies in spite of poor trade figures. Sterling's international value thus fell by just 0.2 points to 76.5.

Hardest hit by the dollar's recovery was the Deutschmark which fell by 1.5 points to 1.75 against the pound. The pace of intervention set on Friday and Monday.

The Bundesbank sold another \$50 million at the Frankfurt fixing but open market intervention was believed to be modest.

The dollar ended the day with a rise of almost five pence to DMG 0.720.

In London money markets, the pound's performance failed to upset sentiment and the cost of three-month money remained steady at 10 1/2 p.p. There was a modest shortage of just £200 million in the liquidity of the banking system.

THE POUND ABROAD

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THE QUESTOR COLUMN

NEI grinds its axe

NORTHERN Engineering Industries is to swing a £25 million rationalisation axe through various parts of its business in tacit admission that real recovery in its principal markets just isn't there.

NEI shows a very modest advance in interim pre-tax profits from £20.2 million to £21.2 million, after taking on board £1.7 million redundancy costs and £1.2 million of currency movements. With higher tax denting the net earnings level the verdict is: unimpressive.

Net orders in hand at June 30 of £1.2 billion still keep NEI in a fundamentally strong position, and certain parts of its empire—namely South Africa continue to perform well. But the miners' strike will certainly have an impact on year end results—slowing has been even faster since June 30 and a breakeven position within Eitel Corporation of the United States is taking longer than planned.

NEI has, however, managed to trim Eitel from a \$80 million business into a \$55 million one and at least the size of losses is falling.

Uncertainty over the United Kingdoms nuclear power station programme has already sent certain specialised facilities at Gateshead into mothballs, and though the problem of NEI Nuclear Systems is to find replacement work, NEI Parsons has recently won £50 million of orders from Iraq.

The Indian thermal power station contract is running late, though prospects in Malaysia are encouraging.

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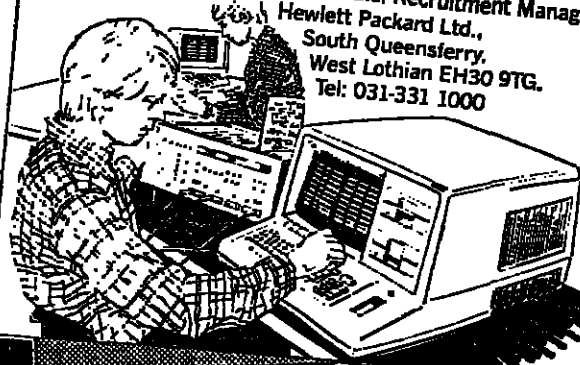
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Tel: 01-906 5660

Head of Prototype Assembly

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write to Chris Westley, the Personnel Officer, giving brief details of current position, level of responsibility, experience and salary level.
Mrs. M. E. Westley, Personnel Officer,
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THE COMPANY

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THE JOB

To carry out marketing policies designed to optimise performance of Bally Specialist departments. These include department planning and organisation, stock management, budgeting, promotion, window and interior display, staff motivation. Principal requirement is to be able to work with retailer proprietors and managers effectively.

THE PERSON

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Based in the North of England, convenient for motorway.

THE BENEFITS

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Please send written application to:
Mr. D. H. Bowen, Group Marketing Director,
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Please write in confidence with full CV to: Doreen Sharp, Personnel Officer - UK Operations, Fisons plc, 12 Derby Road, Loughborough LE11 0BB.



Payroll/Personnel Administration

c. £15,000 p.a.

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Home Counties

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- Computer Simulation
- CAM Systems Engineering
- Manufacturing Systems Technology

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Promotion and training prospects are excellent, not just in the directorates

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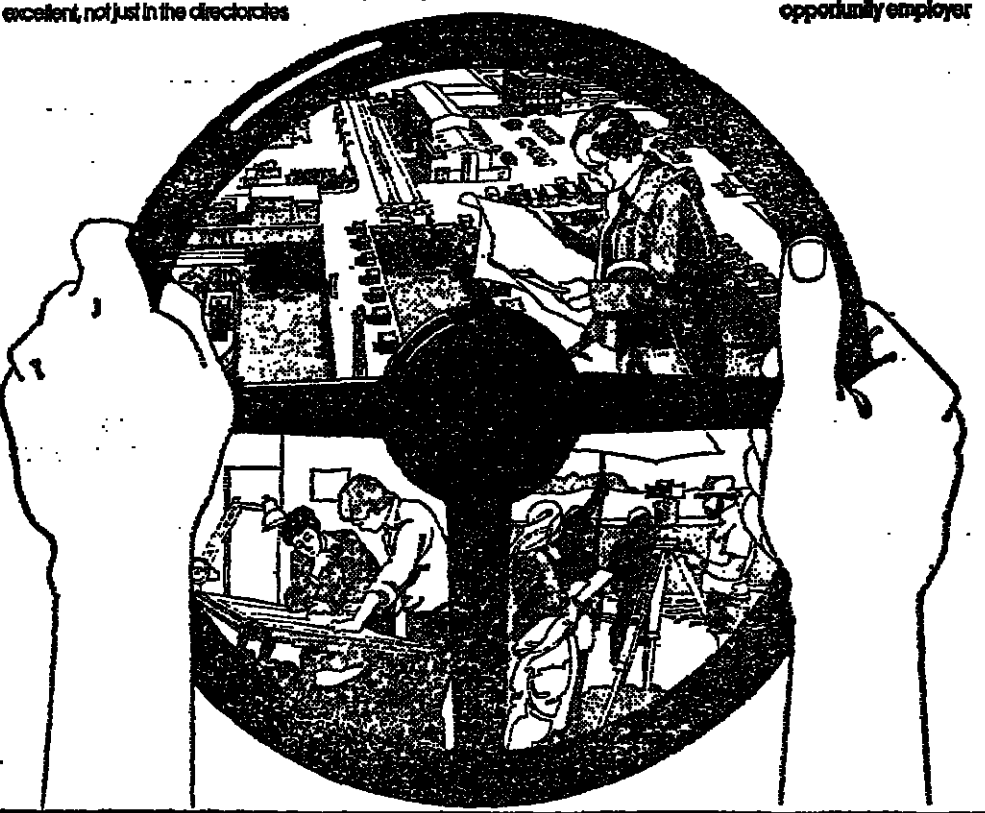
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but in the Department of Mechanical and Electrical Services and the PSA's regional offices where career opportunities also exist. Candidates must have a degree, preferably with honours, or the equivalent with at least 2 years post-graduate training or experience, or be Chartered Mechanical or Electrical Engineers, or Chartered Building Technologists.

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Project Manager

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The position calls for a good background in one or more of the following: stock control/distribution/buying/retailing. A high level of numeracy and good communication skills are essential, plus the ability to analyse problems and recommend realistic solutions.

Salary will be negotiated in line with qualifications, experience and the importance of this appointment. Excellent big company benefits include a company car.

Please write with sufficient details to make an application form unnecessary to David McKinney, Tesco Stores, Tesco House, Delamare Road, Cheshunt, Herts EN8 9SL.



A rare career opportunity in Third Party Maintenance Sales

On target earnings

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The salary and benefits package (including Company car and relocation where appropriate) reflects the seniority of the position.

Please write with full C.V. and current salary to:

Graham Bettany,
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With the overall objective of co-ordinating and controlling product sourcing and materials planning to meet production and marketing commitments, you will be responsible for a team of Managers in planning and purchasing; you will also liaise closely at senior level with production and marketing departments to optimise inventories, and will be involved in the negotiation of major vendor contracts.

This is a senior role within a major organisation, and as such calls for a highly professional graduate aged around 30-40. Candidates (male or female) must have a first class progressive track record in multi-national materials planning and procurement, involving high volume light electro-mechanical assembly. Experience of substantial achievement in an international blue-chip Imcg company is essential.

The remuneration package of a basic salary of c£16,000 p.a. is enhanced by a valuable performance-related bonus. Further benefits include a company car, excellent pension scheme and private medical insurance. Relocation expenses are available if appropriate.

Please write with full career history and quoting ref 810 to the Confidential Reply Manager, T.G. Scott & Son Limited, 30-32 Southampton Street, London WC2. Companies in which you are not interested should be listed in a covering letter.

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In addition to good, relevant experience in carbonate or clastic facies analysis, or diagenesis, candidates should hold at least an MSc, in sedimentology.

Our Laboratories at Aberdeen are a modern, well equipped part of a substantial international group and there are excellent opportunities for progression for a highly motivated professional. A comprehensive package will reflect age and experience.

Detailed cv's please to:-

The Personnel Manager,
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GROUP MANAGER

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The salary range and benefits apply reflect the importance of this appointment and if necessary, relocation assistance will be provided.

To apply please write enclosing a current photograph and C.V. to Mr Howard J. Cobbe MBIM, Personnel Manager, at the address below.



Cookson Group plc
Central Research & Development
Laboratories,
7 Wadsworth Road, Pervale,
Greenford, Middlesex UB6 7JQ.
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The Secretary-General, The RICS, 12 Great George Street, Parliament Square, London SW1P 3AD.

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Closing date 31 October 1984.

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COMPANY ACCOUNTANT

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SALES EXECUTIVES

Our client, a major manufacturer of industrial gases, is offering an excellent career opportunity for a young graduate to work in their Technical Services Department. Based in West London, you will be working on a wide range of industrial projects, including electronic gas measurement. In addition, you will also be responsible for the documentation associated with quality assurance. Aged between 21-25, a degree in Chemistry is essential and ideally you should have some work experience from within an industrial environment. This position can be seen as the first step on a clearly defined career path within this 'blue chip' organisation. Ref: 9/4125

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Appointments Officer,
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Business Development Analyst-Direct Mail

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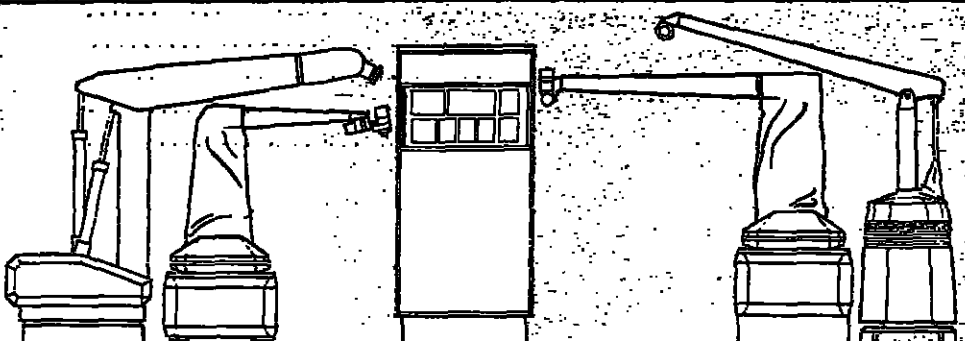
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Nottingham Health Authority

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CHIEF SINGER AND KATIES IN ASCOT CLASH

By HOTSPUR (Peter Scott)

CHIEF SINGER and Katies, impressive winners of the two big mile races for three-year-olds at Royal Ascot in June, are due for a clash over the course and distance in Saturday's Queen Elizabeth II Stakes.

Sackford and Adonijah, first and second in last year's Queen Elizabeth II Stakes, are also acceptors, along with Prego, Teleprompter and Ivano. Sackford seeks to emulate Brigadier Gerard and Rose Bowl, who both won it twice running.

Chief Singer's Royal Ascot victory in the St James's Palace Stakes has been backed up by July Cup and Sussex Stakes wins.

He also finished second to El Gran Senor in the 2,000 Guineas and third to Cormorant Wood in York's Benson and Hedges Gold Cup last month.

Champion date Three weeks after the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes, Chief Singer will tackle the 10-furlong Champion Stakes at Newmarket. He

favour of today's far less valuable Granby Stakes at Sandown Park. Both colts are highly rated by their stables and each won their first race in good style.

Kalkour, whose dam Crepellana won the Prix de Diane, was particularly impressive when the Sandown Park seven furlongs last month.

He should just manage a 5lb concession to Hidden Heights. The 10-furlong race is a

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Today's Sandown Park Selections

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Villa need Withe -Turner

BOBBY GOULD, the Coventry manager, discovered last night that the seasoned competitiveness of Peter Withe is an expensive commodity writes Michael Calvin.

Mr. Gould, a man well schooled in the difficult art of coaching, had offered £200,000 for Aston Villa's much-travelled former England striker.

Graham Turner, underlined his rejection of the bid by revealing that he intends to secure Withe's future at Villa Park. Aston Villa's new manager, resolute in his determination to secure the player, has made it clear that he is not prepared to let him go.

Withe, who is recovering from a recent kidney complaint, will be a free agent at the end of the season, but Mr. Turner is confident he will quickly accept a new, two-year contract.

An exception

"Peter Withe is a great example to everyone in the game," he said. "His commitment and his desire to succeed are outstanding. Some people may think that to offer a 35-year-old player another two-year contract is bad business, but Peter is an exception."

He still keeps himself fit and I'm sure his enthusiasm will mean that he will be a valuable asset to the team for some years to come."

One veteran of Villa's European Cup triumph, yesterday, Steve Bremner, who had the opportunity to join Luton instead of his former manager, at Birmingham in a £25,000 deal.

DAVISON MAY LEAVE DERBY

Huddersfield have made an offer for Derby's high-rated striker Bobby Davison, 25.

Davison was given a free transfer by Huddersfield three years ago after playing only two first team games, and moved to nearby Halifax, where he scored 29 goals in 65 League appearances.

That form tempted Derby to buy him for £200,000 early last year, but he was their top scorer last season, attracting interest from Birmingham.

Stuart Webb, Derby's managing director, said yesterday: "An offer has been received and has been put before the board for consideration. A fee of at least £150,000 would probably be involved."

Sunderland striker David Henderson has broken down in a minor ailment and has been ruled out for another month. The 21-year-old, who has scored 14 goals in 10 appearances, has started only one match because of a stomach muscle strain, but manager Len Ashurst had hoped to call on him for tomorrow's home Milk Cup tie against the Crystal Palace.

Nottingham Forest chairman, Maurice Rawson, has praised manager Brian Clough for his "experience" in the transfer market in the club's annual report.

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Milk Cup—Second Round ARSENAL SOON PUT ISSUE BEYOND DOUBT

By DAVID LUDDY

Arsenal 4, Bristol Rovers 0

BRISTOL ROVERS, the unbeaten Third Division leaders, were outclassed by rampaging Arsenal in their Milk Cup second round first leg match at Highbury last night.

Last season another Third Division club, Walsall, humiliated Arsenal on this ground, winning 2-1 in the fourth round of the same competition. But any similar result looked remote.

Rovers were bounded by the ferocity but fair tactics of Arsenal, chasing their fifth win in six encounters.

Holloway and Bate in midfield were lightweight compared to the sharp control and determination of Talbot and Robson, while their defence, which had conceded only one League goal, was ripped apart by the pace, skill and strength of Nicholas, Woodcock, and Mariner.

The difference in class was clear. Robson, thrusting forward from deep positions, twice cracked the ball over the bar and then Nicholas clipped his side a few feet of the post.

Mariner's agility and power in the air continually bewildered central defenders Parkin and Cleverley, but Arsenal's reward for all their efforts in the first half was meagre.

A mistake by goalkeeper Cashley allowed Woodcock to score his fifth goal this season in the 11th minute after a Nicholas shot deflected by Mariner. A linesman had spotted a player offside.

But Arsenal were not to be denied. Rix provided a penetrating pass from the left; Woodcock beat Brian Williams and after Cashley had failed to gather the ball, the England international scored easily.

Randall and Stephens had little opportunity to display the shooting skills which have earned them 10 goals this term. Cator and O'Leary were their masters.

But Rovers had resilience in abundance. Their spirit was not weakened. As Arsenal swept forward with full-backs Anderson and Sansom providing extra width Rovers tightened their marking.

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Tony Woodcock wins a tussle with Ray Cashley to score for Arsenal.

SHERWOOD SHOWS HIS PACES

By TREVOR WILLIAMSON

THE second round of the Milk Cup as well as producing the customary quota of shocks also had a touch of irony for Steve Sherwood, the Watford goalkeeper, last night.

With Tony Coton signed earlier this week as his replacement, Sherwood signed a penalty taken by John Seaman in the tie against Cardiff.

Yet that incident was four minutes after Cardiff had taken the lead through Roger Gibbins, an exciting first half was capped when City's John Smith was sent off after a foul on Wilf Roston.

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Positive Rangers in full command

By MICHAEL CALVIN

York City ... 2, Queens Park Rangers ... 4

QUEENS PARK RANGERS, haunted by recent defensive disasters, overcame initial insecurity to dent York's impressive home record last night.

The trauma of conceding ten goals in their last two games was highlighted by the First Division side's ultra-cautious approach to a potentially embarrassing Milk Cup tie at Bootham Crescent.

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Bruno blasts out Canadian in 2nd

By DONALD SAUNDERS

FRANK BRUNO, the London heavyweight, re-established himself as British boxing's No. 1 hero at Wembley Arena last night by knocking out Ken Lakusta, of Canada, midway through the second round of their Commonwealth title eliminator.

Last May Bruno's hopes of firmly establishing himself among the world's top 10 were shattered, in this same ring, when he was knocked out in the 10th and final round, by James "Bonecrusher" Smith, an unranked American.

This was Bruno's first appearance since that disaster and he made it perfectly clear that he has completely recovered from his first defeat.

The Canadian, who has worked with some of the world's best in the gym and has a useful record on the other side of the Atlantic, tried to upset the Londoner in the opening round by crowding him from the first bell.

Kept his head

Lakusta may well have thought that Bruno would be nervous after that setback last spring.

But Bruno appeared to have learned something from that disappointing night. He kept his head, boxed his way into the fight and by the end of the round was hurting the Canadian.

Even so few ringers could have been prepared for the end. The fighters were moving around the centre of the ring when Bruno took Lakusta to the canvas with a sharp left to the head and immediately followed with a right to the body.

Lakusta sank to the canvas and as John Doyle, the referee, took the count over him he made no effort to rise.

John Magoshi, the No. 2 contender for the world light-middleweight title, took only 2min 20sec to knock out Mike Gonzales, of the United States.

The hapless American was down four times before being counted out on his feet by the merciful referee, Harry Gibbs.

Even so, the crowd was not at all pleased by this first appearance in London of Magoshi, an American-based Ugandan, although they appreciated his class, they obviously did not think much of his resistance put up by Gonzales.

In an earlier bout Herol Graham, the former European light-middleweight champion from Sheffield, demonstrated that he intends to climb quickly up among the world's top ten in the middleweight division.

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SOVIET LEADER PUTS DAMPER ON U.S. TALKS

By ROBIN GEDYE in Moscow

MR CHERNENKO, the Russian leader, made it clear yesterday that Mr Gromyko, his Foreign Minister, would not produce any surprise positive response tomorrow to American proposals for fresh arms talks.

The Soviet President, in his first foreign policy speech since disappearing on holiday two months ago, joined forces with Mr Boris Ponomarev, candidate Politbureau member and an influential adviser on foreign policy, to scupper any ambitions President Reagan may have had towards initiating fresh arms negotiations.

Clearly Moscow was not about to react at a moment's notice to Washington's proposals for "umbrella talks". The essence of both Mr Chernenko's speech, which he delivered to the Writers' Union, and that of Mr Ponomarev was that as long as America and her Western Allies continued to behave as though they were preparing for a Third World War, Russia would do likewise.

The Kremlin would, in any case, not be reacting to Washington and Western foreign policy initiatives, but would, if at all, wait until it could negotiate from a position of strength.

"Like a superlunker" Both Mr Chernenko's speech and that of Mr Ponomarev would have been prepared long before Mr Reagan delivered his appeal to the United Nations on Monday and are consistent with Kremlin policy set in motion during the European debate over the installation of cruise and Pershing II missiles.

"Like a superlunker" on the high seas which takes three miles to react to danger, the Kremlin is in no position to react to the European debate over the installation of cruise and Pershing II missiles.

The official Tass news agency, reporting directly to Mr Reagan's address, said: "His speech contained no indication of any change in the essence of the present American policy and boiled down to absolutely false assertions that the United States allegedly wants the arms race curbed."

The President's words about peace were meant only to camouflage Washington's basic foreign policy guidelines and its intransigent policy in all regions of the world.

Mr Chernenko said: "They, in the United States, either do not want, or are not yet ready to understand that there is no sensible alternative to the normalisation of Soviet-American relations."

They resort to methods that

Howe backs the Reagan initiative

By RICHARD BEESTON in New York

SIR GEOFFREY HOWE and the West German Foreign Minister, Herr Dietrich Genscher, both gave Mr Shultz, American Secretary of State, their enthusiastic support yesterday for President Reagan's call for a "new beginning" in East-West relations.

In separate meetings with Mr Shultz they discussed talks between the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr Shultz today and Friday's meeting with President Reagan.

Mr Shultz, during talks in New York, assured Sir Geoffrey and Herr Genscher that Mr Reagan's appeal for a "better working relationship" with Moscow was not a six-week election campaign wonder and that his concluding initiative would be pursued vigorously into his generally predicted second-term Presidency.

British sources expressed relief yesterday that American policy towards the Soviet Union had moved much closer to that of Western Europe as a result of Mr Reagan's conciliatory address to the United Nations on Monday.

"No secret" They said it was no secret that throughout this year the European NATO powers had felt there should be less emphasis on tough and Soviet rhetoric and more on dialogue in dealing with Moscow.

Mr Reagan's call for Cabinet-level meetings between the United States and the Soviet Union and his emphasis on negotiations on regional conflicts were especially welcome, British sources said.

Sir Geoffrey meanwhile said he would press Mr Gromyko for a "constructive" response to Mr Reagan's initiative.

American officials say they are not surprised by Moscow's initial unfavourable response to Mr Reagan's speech. They hope to have a better idea of Soviet views after Mr Gromyko's two private meetings with Mr Shultz and Mr Reagan.

SOVIET PROTEST OVER BITOV The Soviet Foreign Ministry yesterday delivered a formal protest against the "maltreatment" of Oleg Bitov by British security services.

Mr David Radford, charge d'affaires at the British embassy, was called in to receive the protest, marking the first occasion on which the Foreign Ministry has become directly involved in Mr Bitov's allegations since he returned to Russia, of kidnapping, torture and brainwashing.

By A. J. McILROY

U.S. FEAR MORE BOMBINGS

By JOHN BULLOCK in Beirut

THE team of American experts investigating last week's bomb attack on the American embassy in East Beirut has established that the explosion was caused by gas-enhanced hexogen with a plastic explosive, equivalent to more than 3,000lb of TNT.

This was the same type of explosive used over the past 18 months in attacks on other American installations in Beirut which caused more than 300 deaths.

One expert said: "This gas-enhanced type of explosive is highly sophisticated and could only be manufactured by an advanced country. There was no way something like this could be set up by a revolutionary intent on getting to heaven."

Workers were erecting a wire netting screen yesterday over and around the makeshift building being used by the American embassy in Beirut. Wire netting is used to guard against rocket attacks.

Past pattern "The pattern of the past is that an attack like the one on our embassy in East Beirut is usually followed by other operations. We have to try to guard against them," one American official said.

There have already been threats from the Islamic Jihad organisation that more American interests would be attacked, not necessarily in Beirut or Lebanon. But installations in Lebanon are considered particularly at risk.

Experts acknowledge that though security measures can be improved, a political settlement in the Middle East remains the only sure way of removing the constant threat to American interests.

As a first step towards that, United States diplomats have begun quietly trying to broker an agreement for an Israeli withdrawal from the Golan Heights and Lebanon. United Nations troops would replace them to form a buffer along the border.

In the past both America and Israel have insisted that Syria, which has 30,000 troops in Lebanon, must take its forces out at the same time that the Israelis leave.

That condition now appears to have been dropped. Mr Shamir, the Israeli Foreign Minister, has said he no longer makes it a condition.

Syria dominant

If Israel did withdraw, diplomats say Syria would probably "redeem" its troops as a gesture of goodwill and a sign of agreement to any arrangement. But it is accepted that Syria is the dominant force in Lebanese political life, and that it intends to continue to be.

Because of that, Syria will not take the "lure" of Lebanon. It will, however, probably concentrate them in the east of the country once the Israelis leave.

ACAS HOPE

By JOHN RICHARDS

Continued from Page One Mr Orme, Labour's Shadow Energy spokesman.

Then, at the first of the Congress House meetings, the NUM leaders met transport unions for discussions on the TUC's call for a total support in the pit dispute.

These discussions resulted in agreement that General Council representatives — Mr Willis, General Secretary; Mr Buckton, TUC vice-chairman; Mr Bassett, chairman of the Transport Committee; and Mr Eccles, the new General Council chairman — should monitor efforts of the road, rail and shipping unions to support the coal dispute.

These unions re-affirmed their determination to give full support "to making the pursuit of the coal dispute more effective" according to a TUC statement after the meeting.

A second meeting was held in the afternoon between the NUM and electricity supply unions, which were also asked what they were prepared to do to back TUC policy of trying to force the Coal Board back to the negotiating table.

After the meetings, Mr Scargill said the talks had been "very positive" and that the NUM was in a "strong position" within the power industry — the Transport Workers, General and Municipal Workers and the Engineers — had joined the NUM in asking for NUM support from their members.

Representatives of the power industry had agreed to look as a body at the NUM's suggestions that they should not cross picket lines, not move coal to power stations, and not handle oil which is substituted for strike-bound coal.

Mr Scargill said the union was prepared to talk at any time, providing the Coal Board withdrew its pit-closure programme. He lifted the threat over five named pits in Scotland, Yorkshire and Kent, and accepted the "Plan for Coal".

'Skill adamant' Mr Lyons, secretary of the Electrical Supply Trade Union Council, read a statement saying that the power unions had listened to the NUM's case and agreed to consider their response in the light of the decisions of the TUC Congress at a further meeting on Friday.

Delegates from the Coal Board's 55 open-cast mining sites met in London today to discuss national strike action in a dispute over redundancy payments.

The strike call would halt production and prevent electricity output, open-cast coal, which has been moving virtually normally during the 29-week NUM strike.

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DEATHS (Continued)

CHADWICK — On Sept. 21, 1984, at his home, 10, St. James's Place, London, Mr. Chadwick, aged 72, died. He was the husband of Mrs. Chadwick, nee. Jones, and the father of Mr. and Mrs. Chadwick, nee. Jones, and the father of Mr. and Mrs. Chadwick, nee. Jones.

CHAPMAN — On Sept. 24, 1984, at his home, 10, St. James's Place, London, Mr. Chapman, aged 72, died. He was the husband of Mrs. Chapman, nee. Jones, and the father of Mr. and Mrs. Chapman, nee. Jones, and the father of Mr. and Mrs. Chapman, nee. Jones.

CLAY — On Sept. 24, 1984, at his home, 10, St. James's Place, London, Mr. Clay, aged 72, died. He was the husband of Mrs. Clay, nee. Jones, and the father of Mr. and Mrs. Clay, nee. Jones, and the father of Mr. and Mrs. Clay, nee. Jones.

COMPTON — On Sept. 24, 1984, at his home, 10, St. James's Place, London, Mr. Compton, aged 72, died. He was the husband of Mrs. Compton, nee. Jones, and the father of Mr. and Mrs. Compton, nee. Jones, and the father of Mr. and Mrs. Compton, nee. Jones.

CRAGG — On Sept. 24, 1984, at his home, 10, St. James's Place, London, Mr. Cragg, aged 72, died. He was the husband of Mrs. Cragg, nee. Jones, and the father of Mr. and Mrs. Cragg, nee. Jones, and the father of Mr. and Mrs. Cragg, nee. Jones.

CROOK — On Sept. 24, 1984, at his home, 10, St. James's Place, London, Mr. Crook, aged 72, died. He was the husband of Mrs. Crook, nee. Jones, and the father of Mr. and Mrs. Crook, nee. Jones, and the father of Mr. and Mrs. Crook, nee. Jones.

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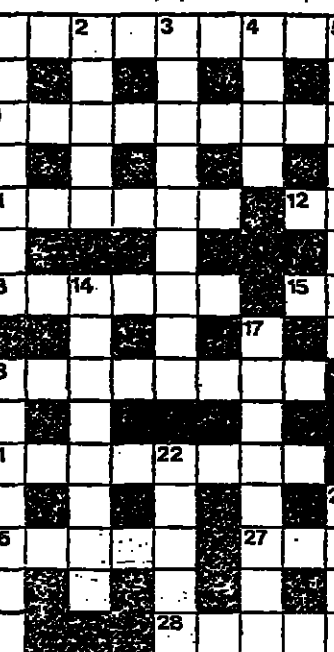
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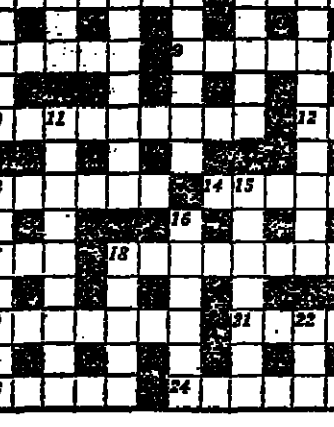
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- 1 Pretty much the same as what we used to tip the waters? (5, 6)
- 9 Seas Latin as vital (9)
- 10 Plants that need a lot of water (3)
- 11 & 27 Something that's not very different from 1 across for instance (6, 9)
- 12 Minister of God in charge of a candied confection (8)
- 13 New Scandinavian of cord in from Scandinavia (6)
- 15 The footballer who couldn't eat all his dinner? (4, 4)
- 18 A memento I get strangely nervous about (8)
- 19 Queer reply intercepted by a game fellow (6)
- 21 Not a genuine profession? (8)
- 23 Horrified at being rent by jagged gash, apparently (6)
- 26 A 19 who lives a life of 21
- 27 See 11
- 28 Jumbo-size key files sorted out for real (5, 2, 4)



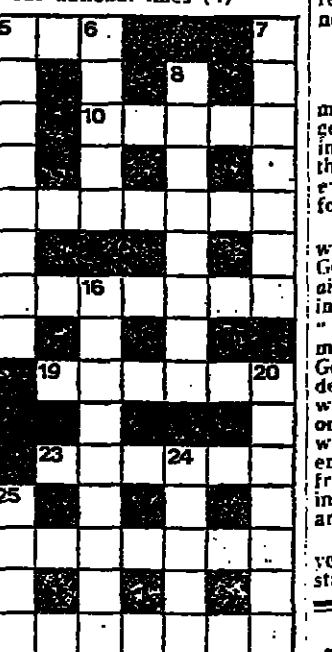
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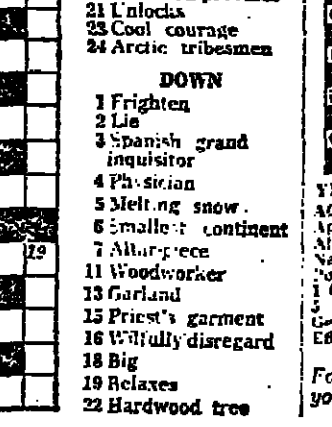
DOWN

- 1 Felt out of place in St. Neots? (7)
- 2 Very musical Italian dolt with first-rate following (5)
- 3 The break of day in the City? (5, 4)
- 4 Frozen waterfall (4)
- 5 One who doesn't yearn for things? Well, not any more (5)
- 6 Uncanny point I have gone into before (5)
- 7 Stick by an old spinster? (7)
- 8 Ring place in Provence with railway and a theological college (8)
- 11 A gambler that's permitted en route (8)
- 16 Wires that have been phased out (9)
- 17 Light upon a record surplus? (8)
- 18 Person crazed with love for a treble gifted female (7)
- 20 A rain the Engineers are about to join up (7)
- 22 Lorne comes up to enlist in the forces (5)
- 24 Excuse the criminal may hope to set away with (5)
- 25 Cheese is inferior to our national lines (4)



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Tit for tat move condemned

released by the South African Government yesterday of the often acrimonious exchanges between the two governments over Pretoria's demands that the six be handed over to the South African authorities.

An aide memoire passed to the British Government in London said that Britain's attitude in language, and over the fugitives had forced the South African Government either to go in and get them or "to take action similar to that of the British Government and designed to illustrate South Africa's displeasure with the British actions."

The South African Government was taking the latter course by refusing to send back to the Coventry court the four South Africans facing charges relating to arms smuggling, the note said.

Bail forfeit expected The South African Government said in the same exchange in the court to explain fully why the men were being held there. It was expected that bail would be forfeit.

The frustration and anger within the South African Government surfaced in the aide memoire of Sunday night in which it added: "The South African Government trusts that the British Government will seriously consider the consequences which its attitude might have on saboteurs and terrorists who, in the future, might be encouraged to seek refuge from law enforcement agencies in embassies and consulates around the world."

The Foreign Ministry said yesterday that Mr Botha had stated quite clearly that even

SOLUTION No. 18.25

ACROSS 1 Carrot, 2 Torch, 3 Apple, 4 Grape, 5 Onion, 6 Lemon, 7 Lime, 8 Orange, 9 Pear, 10 Peach, 11 Plum, 12 Nectarine, 13 Cherry, 14 Strawberry, 15 Raspberry, 16 Blackberry, 17 Blue